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## D.A.R.E. surveys show drop in substance abuse

by Susan Warrington  
Staff Writer

Crawford County Sheriff's Deputy Randy Herman, resource officer at Grayling Middle School, told the Crawford AuSable School board the focus of D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) has changed over the last few years.

Herman said D.A.R.E. used to focus on "no" - "no drugs, no alcohol, no tobacco;" however, the focus is now to delay and stop the use of substances.

The elementary school program, administered by Deputy Bill Bonkowski, deals with decision making, peer pressure, media influences, self-esteem and awareness of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs (ATOD).

The middle school program focuses on "taking charge of your life" and learning that every action has consequences. It also educates the students about brain function, media influences, stereotypes, assertiveness, and social and legal responsibilities.

The high school program, run by Deputy Paul Smith, talks about the sources of pressure, ATOD facts, laws, drunk driving, violence prevention, and conflict resolution.

Herman presented the results of a survey taken last fall by 8th, 10th and 12th grade students in the district. He compared the results to a survey taken in 1997.

The 2003 survey showed

fewer seniors began using alcohol between 6th and 8th grade. The rate has dropped below the national average for the first time in the four surveys performed at the school. From 1997, when 34.7% of seniors said they started drinking while in middle school, that trend is down to 26.6%.

In response to a question asking if they had used marijuana in the last 30 days, in 1997, 56.3% of the seniors said "yes;" in 2003, 25.9% said "yes." In 1997, 24.3% of sophomores answered "yes" to the marijuana use question; in 2003, 34.6% said "yes." While in 1997, 22.3% of 8th graders said "yes" and in 2003, 14.6% said "yes."

When asked whether they had used alcohol in the past 30 days, 31.4% of 8th graders said "yes," 53.1% of sophomores said "yes" and 46.7% of seniors said "yes."

When asked whether they had used inhalants in the past 30 days, 12.2% of 8th graders said "yes," 12.5% of sophomores said "yes" and 1.7% of seniors said "yes."

A study of index crimes (murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, arson, motor vehicle theft and larceny) committed by those 18 years old and under shows a decrease in Crawford County from 48.3% in 1997 to 43.5% in 2002.

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## Crawford Democrats reflect state's choice of Kerry



Photo by Susan Warrington

Voters were eager to participate in the Democratic caucus held at the Crawford County Courthouse on Saturday, February 7. The table shown was full of voters, as were several others scattered throughout the room when this picture was taken. During the caucus' six-hour polling period, 117 local Democratic voters participated. According to Crawford County Democratic Chair Monte Burmeister, 28 residents chose to participate by mail or via the Internet. The final results of the local vote indicated strong support for Sen. John Kerry who received 76 votes (65%), followed by Sen. John Edwards with 24 votes (20.5%), former Vermont Governor Howard Dean with 12 (10.3%) and retired Army General Wesley Clark with 4 votes (3.4%). Throughout District 1, which includes Crawford County, Kerry got 57.2% of the vote, followed by Dean with 16.2%, Edwards at 13.5% and Clark at 8.3%. Statewide Kerry got 51.7% of the vote, followed by Dean at 16.6%, Edwards at 13.5%, civil rights activist Rev. Al Sharpton at 6.9% and Clark at 6.7%.

## Next hearing date set in murder case

by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

Murder suspect Michael Patrick Bergan appeared in 87th District Court late last week with a new court-appointed attorney and before a new judge.

Bergan, age 42 of Grayling, was arraigned January 13 on one charge each of open murder and use of a firearm during the commission of a felony in connection with the May 29, 2001 shooting death of 21-year old Shane Piehl, also of Grayling.

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said investigators feel confident there is enough evi-

dence to convict Bergan on the charges but said he could not give details in that regard.

No murder weapon was found or placed into evidence by the prosecution in the trial of a Beaver Creek Township resident in May 2002. Randee Craig Johnson was found not guilty by a jury at that time, though witnesses said Johnson bragged of shooting Piehl twice in the head. Johnson later told investigators he was just kidding.

Testimony in that trial revealed Piehl was acquainted with both Bergan and Johnson and had been selling his prescription pain

medications on the street, including Oxycontin.

Piehl's murder has been described by Prosecutor John Huss as "a drug deal gone wrong." His body was found by family members lying next to his car on a two-track trail near the intersection of I-75 and Four Mile Road in Grayling Township on May 30, 2001. He had been shot at close range by what forensic witnesses at Johnson's trial described was a .22 caliber rifle.

Witnesses in that trial also testified that Bergan allegedly owned a sawed-off .22-caliber

shotgun, but that particular gun had not been located by the time of Johnson's trial.

Bergan is now represented by Traverse City attorney Peter H. Shumar. On February 6, before the Hon. Lynn Buday, Bergan waived his right to a preliminary examination within 14 days of his arraignment.

Preliminary hearings are held to determine if the prosecution or state has enough evidence to bind a defendant over for trial in circuit court.

Judge Buday has scheduled Bergan's preliminary examination for April 15.

## City asks residents to run their water

This season's particularly cold winter weather has caused frost to penetrate more deeply into the ground than normal, leading to several frozen water service lines in the City of Grayling.

City officials are asking residents and businesses to leave one indoor water faucet running at all times until the frost is out of the

ground.

To prove sufficient, run the water in a stream about the size of a pencil lead.

The City of Grayling will notify residents in the spring when it is safe to turn the water off.

For more information, contact the City of Grayling at 348-2131.

## Welcome to the world! ~ Crawford County's first babies of 2004



Nathen Dean Petronelli and his parents, Paul Petronelli and Kelli Seaton, of St. Helen

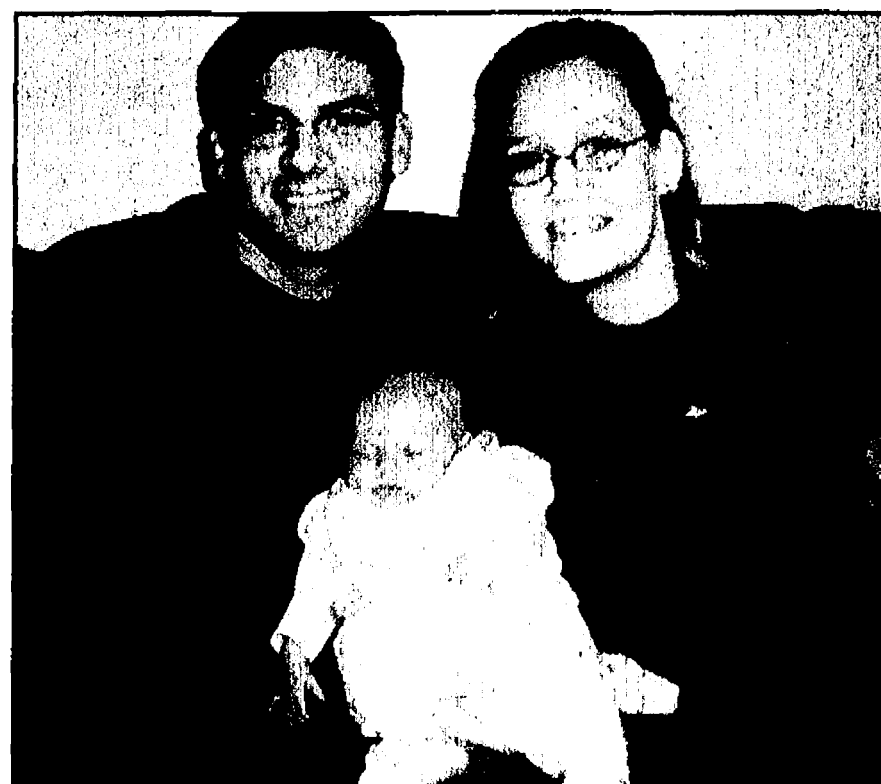
by Cheryll Ruley  
Staff Writer

The Crawford County Avalanche did not forget about announcing the first baby to be born within the county in 2004, it just took us a little more time to get the information, with privacy issues and all.

According to Grayling Mercy Hospital records, Nathen Dean Petronelli was the first baby to be born in the new year. He arrived at 11:51 a.m. on January 1, weighing exactly eight pounds and measuring 21 inches long. Nathen was born to Kelli Seaton and Paul Petronelli of St. Helen, in Roscommon County. Kelli's due date was December 27, but she told the Roscommon Herald, "I knew I was going to have the New Year's baby." He is the couple's only child.

So, Nathen not only earned the title of first baby to be born in Crawford County, he is also the first baby of 2004 to Roscommon County parents.

Just four days later, the first baby to be born to Crawford County residents, made her debut. Elizabeth "Lizzie" Marie Kucharek arrived on January 5 at 12:03 p.m., weighing 7 pounds, 3 ounces and measuring 20-3/4 inches long. Elizabeth was born to Chris and Marlana Kucharek at Mercy Hospital. She is their first child and has already acquired the nickname "Lizzie" by those who adore her. Marlana said she was a bit surprised to learn Lizzie's entrance into the world was history-making, and is happy about the honors.



Elizabeth "Lizzie" Marie Kucharek and her parents, Chris and Marlana Kucharek, of Grayling

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## The Sensible Environmentalist

(NAPS) DEAR DR. MOORE:  
We hear a lot about tropical forests, but what can you tell me about the state of our own forests here in North America?

The news is good, North American forests cover about the same area of land as they did 100 years ago. Over the past decade our forests have expanded by nearly 10 million acres, according to satellite tracking and

two successive reports from the United Nations Food & Agriculture Organization (State of the World's Forests, 1997 and 2001).

There are two main reasons for this. One is that advances in agriculture have enabled us to grow about five times as much food on each acre of farmland. As a result, we've been able to feed a growing population without converting any more forest into farms.

Another reason, surprisingly enough, is that North Americans use a lot of wood. We've been led to believe that this is bad, that each time we buy a piece of wood we cause a little more forest to be lost. On the contrary, every purchase of wood sends a signal into the marketplace to plant more trees and grow more valuable product. If we don't continue to use wood for building houses, mak-

ing paper or crafting furniture, there will be little incentive to keep land forested. It could just as easily be cleared for development or to grow something else.

This is a win for both the environment and the economy. The land stays forested, thus providing habitat for hundreds of species of wildlife. Timber creates job, fuels economies and generates hundreds of millions of dollars in tax revenues. So long as we plant enough trees to satisfy the demand for wood, North American forests will be sustainable.

Between them, Canada and the United States have about 1.75 billion acres of forest. About one billion acres are used to grow timber while the other 750 million acres are composed of parks, wilderness and non-commercial forest land.

Trees are the most abundant of the world's renewable resources and will continue to grow over much of the earth's surface indefinitely. I believe that a sensible environmentalist would weigh the facts and choose both to grow more trees and use more wood.

Dr. Patrick Moore has been a leader of the environmental movement for more than 30 years. A cofounder and former president of Greenpeace, he holds a PhD in ecology and a BSc in forest biology. Questions can be sent to Patrick@SensibleEnvironmentalist.com

Dr. Moore



Photo courtesy of Easter Seals

More than 140 women snowmobilers participated February 6-8 in the Easter Seals "For Women Only Snowmobile Ride" in Grayling, raising \$148,000 for children and adults with disabilities in their communities.

## Women's snowmobile ride raises \$148,000

The 17th Annual "For Women Only Snowmobile Ride" took place last weekend, February 6-8 in Grayling, raising \$148,000 to benefit children and adults with disabilities who are served by

Easter Seals.

The Michigan Snowmobile Association and Nelson's Speed Shop, in Greenville, sponsor this unique opportunity for women to have fun and raise money to directly make a difference in the quality of lives of those in their own communities who have disabilities and are served by Easter Seals.

Other sponsors of the event include Polaris Industries, Trailite Sales, Choko Clothing Manufacturers, Woodies, and Mark Young Jewelers of Oxford.

A total of 145 women snowmobile enthusiasts from four states participated in this year's For Women Only Snowmobile Ride; 122 women from Michigan raised nearly \$129,500. Other participants included 11 women from Indiana who raised \$11,668, eight women from Ohio who raised \$6,362, and one woman came all the way from

South Carolina and raised \$500 for her neighbors with disabilities.

This year's group put the 17-year total at \$1,432,165. The funds raised by each participant are used to support Easter Seal programs and treatment services for children and adults with disabilities in their own communities.

On Friday evening, February 6, Easter Seals hosted a "meet and greet" for the women at the Grayling Holiday Inn. Saturday morning, the snowmobilers broke into small riding groups, each captained by an experienced leader, and began their 100-mile journey on the snowy, white trails. Conditions were perfect for a beautiful day in the northern Michigan woods.

When the groups returned to the Holiday Inn on Saturday afternoon, the ladies had the opportunity to relax and enjoy the facilities, or be treated to a massage, manicure or pedicure,

courtesy of local massage therapists and salon technicians.

On Saturday evening, the top three fundraisers were recognized at an Awards Banquet. This year's top fundraiser received a Ski Doo MXZ Trail 600 snowmobile, courtesy of the Michigan Snowmobile Association. The second place fundraiser received a Triton Trailer, courtesy of Nelson's Speed Shop and Triton Trailers, and the third place fundraiser received a \$500 gift certificate courtesy of Choko Clothing Manufacturers.

Beautifully hand-crafted Gold Lily Pins, designed by Mark Young Jewelers, were given to participants raising a cumulative total of \$5,000 or more.

Plans are under way for the 18th Annual For Women Only Snowmobile Ride. For information about how to get involved or participate, call Easter Seals of Michigan at 1-800-757-3257 or (989) 753-4773.

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## D.A.R.E. surveys show drop in substance abuse

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Assaults in the county committed by those 18 years old and under fell from 15.2% in 1997 to 12.8% in 2002.

Aggravated assaults in the county committed by those in the same age group plummeted from 40% in 1997 to 10% in 2002.

In contrast, index crimes, assaults, and aggravated assaults committed by those 18 and under all increased in the state, as a whole, from 1997 to 2002.

The survey indicated:

- College-bound students

report lower use in all categories.

- Students are not feeling significant peer pressure to use or try ATOD.

- Students feel the availability of ATOD is high.

- Very low percentage of drinking and driving incidents reported as either the driver or passenger.

- All grade levels report the top two places they seek help are friends, then family.

Herman summed up the report by saying the district is making progress, but there is more work to be done.

## Dog license fees double March 1

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

Just a reminder to dog owners in Crawford County - license fees will double on March 1.

In September 2003, the Crawford County Board of Commissioners dropped cats and ferrets from its animal ordinance, therefore those types of animals no longer require licensing. However, owners of cats and ferrets are still encouraged to vaccinate their pets and make an annual visit to a veterinarian for a check up.

Prior to March 1, dog license fees are \$10 for male or female dogs, but only \$6 if the dog has been spayed or neutered. On March 1, those fees double to \$20 and \$12, respectively. Spaying and neutering is a safe and healthy way to help control the unwanted pet population in Crawford County. Low-cost spaying and neutering programs are available through the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, Inc. and Lewiston's Best Friends. Call Dixie Lobsinger at the Animal Shelter, at 348-4117, for more information.

To be eligible for the lower dog license fee, owners must provide proof of spaying or neutering (usually a certificate or receipt from the veterinarian who performed the surgery) and a valid rabies vaccination certificate.

Licenses may be purchased at township halls in Beaver Creek, Frederic, Lovells, Maple Forest and South Branch Townships; at the Crawford County Treasurer's Office, the Grayling Hospital for Animals, the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, the Roscommon Veterinary Clinic, or from the Crawford County Animal Control Officer.

Licenses may also be purchased by mail from the County Treasurer's office only.

When ordering by mail, be sure to include a check or money order for the appropriate amount payable to "Crawford County Treasurer's Office" and mail along with copies of rabies certificate(s) and/or spay/neuter certificate(s), to: Crawford County Treasurer's Office, 200 West Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.



## Gym floor to be replaced using existing funds

by Susan Warrington  
Staff Writer

After reviewing the results of a recent community survey, talking with community members and several months of discussion at with the Board of Education, Crawford AuSable School District Superintendent Milli Haug recommends refraining at this time from presenting a bond issue for a new high school gym.

Haug explained to the Board at its February 9 regular meeting, that although the need for additional gym space has not abated, this is not the time to ask voters for additional

money.

Many families in the area are hurting in these tough economic times, Haug said. That fact, combined with the uncertainty of state funding, prompted her decision to delay any recommendation to build a new gym until a time when the economy is more stable.

Instead of a new gym, Haug said the Board will tap into its maintenance fund to pay for the replacement of the old gym floor at Grayling High School. Although it will not alleviate the crowded situation, she said a new floor will provide a better playing surface.

## Emergency funds available to help with heating costs

At the request of a group of U.S. senators from cold weather states, including Michigan's Debbie Stabenow (D-MI) and Carl Levin (D-MI), the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services will release a total of \$191.5 million to help low-income families with their home heating costs.

Michigan's allocation of \$13.5 million in Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) funds includes an additional \$8.6 million as requested by Stabenow and Levin.

"High energy prices, severe winter weather and a slow economic recovery have combined to increase the number of families who need assistance with their home heating bills," Stabenow said.

"Sen. Levin and I urged President Bush to release emergency LIHEAP funds to ensure that Michigan has the resources to help seniors, families with children, and disabled individuals keep safe and warm this winter."

"This assistance will help many low income families and seniors pay their home heating bills," said Levin. "It is critically important that those who are strapped with sky high energy costs can receive the necessary assistance to keep their homes

warm this winter."

In their letter to the president, the senators cited increases in heating fuel costs as logged by the administration's own Energy Information Agency, which noted that the average residential heating oil price for the week of January 19 was 13.4 cents higher than last year, and the average residential propane price was 19.6 cents higher.

The agency's "Natural Gas Weekly Update" reported spikes in natural gas spot prices, and the *Cincinnati Post* reported that natural gas prices are 71 percent higher than in January 2003.

The senators called LIHEAP "a vital safety net for our nation's low-income households."

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## School Board discontinues funding of GHS driver's ed

by Susan Warrington  
Staff Writer

The Crawford AuSable School District's Board of Education voted to discontinue the school-sponsored driver's education program due to lack of funding from the State of Michigan.

Due to budget difficulties, the state stopped giving Michigan school districts any money to help fund the program as of January 30, 2004.

In order to continue the program, the district would have to increase the fee from \$75 to somewhere between \$250 to \$300.

Three local driver's training businesses charge roughly that same amount, therefore taking driver's training through the school would not provide any economic advantage for students, the Board concluded.

Besides the decrease in state funding, the Board would have to purchase or lease another vehicle in the near future if it chose to continue the Grayling High School program.

After considering the information presented, all board members present voted to discontinue funding the driver's education program.

## Church break-ins leave pastors puzzled

by Cheryl Ruley  
Staff Writer

One or more suspects are being sought in the early morning break-ins at two local churches.

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said Calvary Baptist Church and the Grayling Free Methodist Church were broken into in the early morning hours of February 4. Both churches are located on M-72 Highway, just west of the Grayling City limits, and only a few hundred yards apart.

Deputy Jason Alexander said the suspect or suspects smashed glass in entry doors to get inside each building. In each case, the suspect(s) appeared to be looking for money, he said.

Alexander said there may be a connection between these two break-ins and one in Kalkaska County. The Church of the Nazarene was broken into recently in the same manner and Michigan State Police at the Kalkaska Post are investigating.

Pastors at all churches told investigators there is no money kept on site at night and they can not understand why anyone would break into a church, Alexander said.

Anyone with information regarding any or all of these recent break-ins are urged to contact the appropriate unit of law enforcement.



Photos courtesy of the Crawford County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff's Deputies believe the suspect or suspects who broke into the Calvary Baptist Church kicked in a glass entry door to gain access to the building.



Would-be thieves left behind a good deal of evidence for investigators, such as these fresh footprints in the snow outside of the Grayling Free Methodist Church.

The Crawford County Sheriff's Office can be reached by calling (989) 348-4616; reach the Michigan State Police Kalkaska Post by calling (231)

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All three cases remain under active investigation, but there are no suspects in custody as of press time.

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# ISSUES AND OPINIONS



## ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

# Michigan push could settle nomination

**YOU'VE GOT TO** give credit to Michigan Sen. Carl Levin and a hardy but small band of other Michigan Democrats for their political savvy.

Mr. Levin has been trying for several years to move Michigan forward in the partisan process which nominates candidates for president every four years.

Finally this year, national party leaders permitted Michigan to conduct its Democratic party caucuses on February 7, a month or so earlier than in previous years.

Why should Iowa and New Hampshire have so much influence with their early delegate selections, Mr. Levin asked. These two states traditionally act first.

Often by the time the nomination game got to Michigan, the

issue had been decided.

Due to persistent prodding by Sen. Levin and his allies, that's not true this year. In fact, Michigan arguably gave Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts the decisive boost in his campaign.

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**EVERY STATE** wants to be first in picking presidential candidates, of course. At one point, Sen. Levin threatened to hold Michigan caucuses prior to Iowa and New Hampshire, no matter what dates these two states picked.

But politics being what it is, Michigan had to settle this year for a couple weeks lag, and tails not only New Hampshire and Iowa, but also seven other states which held primaries or caucuses on February 2. Compared to the past, however, that's a big

improvement.

Michigan is a key battleground for the presidential race in many ways. It's the largest state, with the most delegates, in the early running. It's the closest reflection of the makeup of America so far, and with the largest number of minority voters. Its concentration of union voters echoes the makeup of several larger states which are crucial to eventual victory.

So Michigan this year was key, thanks largely to Sen. Levin and the small band of Michigan Democrats who pushed persistently for earlier caucuses.

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**THINGS DIDN'T** work out exactly like Democrats had hoped, however.

One of prime arguments for earlier nomination is that the

Michigan economy would get a big boost, what with heavy advertising and press coverage, plus an influx of campaign workers, political followers and the candidates' campaigning entourages which traditionally flood Iowa and New Hampshire, spending lots of money.

That didn't happen in Michigan this year. The economic bonanza still went to the earlier states. Candidates tended to focus on one state at a time, or to select later-date target states to concentrate their funds.

The only candidate who spent significant advertising money in Michigan was Missouri's Dick Gephardt, whose television ads were still running on many Michigan stations two days after he dropped out of the race after showing poorly in Iowa.

But it's nice to make a difference, and Michigan Democrats this year did just that.

The Michigan victory pretty much hands the nomination to John Kerry.

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**THE WHOLE NOMINATION** system needs overhaul, as I have frequently argued.

Why should Iowa voters be permitted to chase Dick Gephardt of Missouri from the race?

Why should Sen. Joe Lieberman of Connecticut be done in by Delaware voters?

Shouldn't voters in California and Indiana and Texas — and Michigan — be able to pick Rep. Gephardt or Sen. Lieberman if they chose? They're both good men, and might be good presidents.

A relative handful of voters in selected and non representative states make these decisions, denying choice to the rest of the country. Is that right?

I understand all the arguments about bandwagon effect and being able to raise money and "if he can't carry a small state, how can he carry the nation".

These presidential campaigns go on for almost two years, and then at decision time, a huge majority of voters are shut out completely.

There's got to be a better way.

*Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.*

# EDITOR

## We love the new ice rink!

To the editor,

As a resident of Crawford County, I am so pleased with how nice the ice skating rink is behind the new city buildings.

As a hockey family, we have traveled to many diverse ice arenas all over Michigan to participate in "open skate" and hockey games.

It is great to be able to open skate here in Grayling. The ice rink is big and in wonderful

shape, especially with all the snow we have gotten.

The task of taking care of an ice rink is no small job. I feel all the people who are involved in making and taking care of the ice rink should be proud. We are very happy to have such a wonderful ice rink for the public to use.

Joanne Krayes and Family  
Grayling

## Support Chamber, GPA as it supports community

To the editor,

On January 21, our company was awarded the prestigious Silver Lining Award by the Grayling Promotional Association (GPA) and the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce for the improvements we have made to the former Grayling Reel Property.

It took a great deal of planning, effort and investment to transform what was a neglected property into a functional enterprise.

Receiving the Silver Lining Award for our efforts means a great deal to us and for that recognition we are most grateful.

The Grayling Promotional Association and the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce are recognized as organizations that are instrumental in the promotion of Grayling and the surrounding area. Their efforts are to be commended and each individual involved should be proud of what their organizations does for the community.

We certainly appreciate their efforts and encourage others to support these organizations, as they strive to make Grayling a better place to live and work.

Rick Tift  
Keith Kenney  
EZ Built Homes, Inc.

## Three years may not have been enough

To the editor,

This letter is addressed to the Crawford County Library Board of Directors.

I am writing this letter on behalf of Edward Elsner, whose contract you have recently chosen not to renew. Please reconsider this action, for several reasons.

First, since Mr. Elsner has been directing the Devereaux Memorial Library, it has emerged as a unifying force in the county.

When my family first moved to Grayling 27 years ago, the library was not much more than a permanently housed book mobile for pleasure readers.

Though it grew slowly, it never developed the diversification it has enjoyed since Elsner's tenure.

Second, it now addresses the needs of a growing, developing county. It serves all age groups and reading interests as well as a society moving from the printed page to cyberspace; it has become a "media center." It has made literacy accessible to everyone.

From my perspective, Mr. Elsner has taken the wonderful, new resource of the building and maximized what it has to offer the county.

Third, in addition to modernizing and expanding the collec-

tion, he has shown Crawford County what a media center/library can do to pull the community together. As well as the already established children's program, he has provided a variety of community programs including a modified cultural enrichment adult evening program, a book fair, a visiting author program and a community book club.

He has provided a staff of after-school tutors for the students of the community. He has added to the professional staff, with a youth coordinator. He has forged strong ties with Crawford AuSable Schools.

I don't think the three years

Mr. Elsner has been here is a complete assessment of his capabilities. To my way of thinking, each year that he has been part of our community, he has shown more of his talent for making the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library the heart of the county. To deny him the means to continue the library/media center's growth is not only denying him a position in Grayling, it's denying Grayling the benefit of a wonderful resource. Please reconsider your decision not to renew his contract.

Judith P. Mesack  
Grayling

## There are steps you can take to save your mailbox

To the editor,

I am writing this letter in regard to a major pet peeve I have. You see, in the last three years of living on our road, we have put up with our mailbox being knocked down every winter. That is why before winter started, I had a heavy duty mailbox installed, thinking this might cure our problem of losing another mailbox.

Once again, I was wrong! Today, I lost another one. So did most of South Grayling Road, Old 27, and Four Mile Road. I was informed by our local police

department that it was caused by the force of our loyal county road crews. I do understand they are doing their jobs, but it is necessary to take out the mailboxes in the process?

Then, of course, there are the occasional teenagers who like to knock them down. Yet, I wonder if they realize it is a federal offense. And, of course, some of our local snowmobile riders like to take out a few by accident. I am sure I am not the only one who faces this problem every year. And, I do honestly appreciate the road commission for

keeping our roads clear and safe for us and our children. They are doing a great job of that.

So, I offer the following tips for all of you, for I know I will be following it for now on, since I cannot afford to replace my mailbox every year.

1. Make sure you reinforce your mailbox so it cannot be knocked down. Re-bolt it to the platform. It is good to check it every year, just in case the post is rotting out.

2. Put bright neon colors on your mailbox and/or post so

snowplows and snowmobiles can see your mailbox.

3. Also, to help out our local police departments and fire departments, try to put big numbers on your mailbox to make it easier on them.

4. Please try to keep the path cleared in front of your mailbox. This will save you from having your mailbox taken out by your local paper carrier or mail carrier.

Corinna Wineman  
Roscommon  
(Crawford County)

## New ice rink wonderful for community

To the editor,

The new ice rink by the new city hall has been great fun this winter. My friends and I have really enjoyed it!

It is a wonderful thing for the community, and gives kids and adults of all ages something to do.

I would especially like to recognize Tom Wellman for dedicating his time, energy and

money to make the ice rink possible for everyone. He also hands out free ice skates for those who don't have any.

I just wanted to say I look forward to great ice skating next year!

Ross Teeple  
7th Grade Student at Grayling Middle School  
Grayling

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## Super Bowl a disgrace

To the editor,

I'd hope that every decent person and parent would feel it a disgrace what went on at the Super Bowl game. It is, and all such events are, shown in every home and across the country to our young people who watch and play.

Every city promoting sports, this was an event that can't be let go by and happen again.

Someone must have known and I feel sorry for them. They had to choose a time as important as that to promote a display of that kind. There are places for that sort of thing. In the future, if our aired sports are shown, inform the public that it is an "R" rated program.

I hope this paper would inform those in Washington that decent people in our country do not approve of such a display. The Super Bowl was super all right — in more ways than one.

I'm glad I lived in a time past when we had heroes and sport events we could all see with pride. Our future depends on our young. It's up to us to make it right and decent.

I just feel ashamed and hope this isn't going to be overlooked as many things are. God Bless. God Bless our country and sports.

Merle Spearman  
Frederic

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# BRIEFS

## Scouts to hold pancake breakfast

Boy Scout Troop 979 will host a pancake breakfast on Sunday, February 15, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Norway Street in Grayling. All proceeds will go toward paying the expenses of the troop traveling to the Washington, D.C. area for the National Jamboree this summer. On the menu are pancakes, sausage, juice, milk and coffee. Cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for kids age 10 years and under, and families can eat for \$20.

## Secretary of State closed for holiday

All branch offices of the Michigan Secretary of State, including the Grayling office, will be closed Monday, February 16 in observance of Presidents' Day. Motorists whose driver license or license plates expire over the holiday should renew early. For more information, visit [www.michigan.gov/sos](http://www.michigan.gov/sos).

## Pet visit to nursing center planned

The staff of the Grayling Hospital for Animals invites local pet owners to join them during a monthly social call to the Grayling Nursing Centre on Saturday, February 28. The visits are therapeutic for the residents of the Centre and very large pets, as well as very small pets are welcome. Pets should be up to date on vaccinations, well socialized, trained and bathed. Anyone interested in making the visit with their pet is asked to contact Kathryn Ramek at the Grayling Hospital for Animals, 348-6822.

## Low-cost spay/neuter still available

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County, Inc. continues to offer the public a chance to take advantage of a low-cost spay/neuter program for local cats and kittens. The program is offered as a result of a grant from WalMart. For more information, or to make an appointment for the procedure, call Dixie Lobsinger at 348-4117 or 348-9178.

## City skating rink hours announced

The Grayling City Council has announced hours reserved for drop-in hockey games at the new city ice skating rink, adjacent to city hall. Times are also posted at the rink. Drop-in hockey times are Tuesday and Thursday, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. All other times are for open skating.

## Senator to hold local office hours

Michigan State Senator Tony Stamas (R-36th District) will conduct office hours on Friday, February 20, including from 1 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. at the Senator's Gaylord District Office, 1349 South Otsego Avenue in the Parkside Mini Mall, Unit 1A; and from 3 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. at the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 West Michigan Avenue in Grayling. Office hours are open to residents wishing to express their opinions or needing assistance with a state issue. For more information regarding office hours, call Stamas' office toll-free at 1-866-305-2136. Residents unable to attend may write to Sen. Stamas at P.O. Box 30036, Lansing, MI 48909.

## Viking Band Boosters to meet

Grayling High School Viking Band Boosters will hold its regular meeting on Thursday, February 12 at 7 p.m. in the Grayling Middle School Band Room. All band parents are encouraged to attend. Next year's fundraising and other plans will be discussed. Any questions may be directed to Marge Franklin at 348-9726 or Matt Bishop at 344-3574, and leave a message.

## Candlelight Vigil to honor war dead

Names of soldiers with known Michigan ties, who were killed in military operations in Iraq, will be read during a Candlelight Vigil for Peace on Sunday, February 15 at 6 p.m. at the Eternal Flame in front of the Crawford County Courthouse. Each soldier's details will be followed by a moment of silence. The vigil, organized by the Crawford County Peacekeepers, is being held on February 15 to mark the one-year anniversary of the largest peace march in history. An estimated 10 million people in 600 cities around the world marched for peace that day.

## Dog sled races scheduled Feb. 14-15

The public is invited to attend dog sled races at the Lost Creek Sky Ranch this weekend, February 14 and 15. Racing will be held on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The ranch is located at 768 Mapes Road in Luzerne. For more information, call (989) 826-9901.

## Ski race to raise money for GRA trail groomer

Grayling Recreation Authority will host a special cross country ski race Sunday, February 22 to help raise funds to repair and purchase trail grooming equipment at Hanson Hills Recreation Area.

The race will be held at Hanson Hills and is 15 to 20 kilometers long on hilly terrain. Style is open to freestyle or classic.

Hanson Hills is growing in popularity every year for cross country skiers and is home to the Michigan Cup Marathon and Hanson Hills Classic races.

Entry fee for the race is \$20. Registration forms are available at Hanson Hills, located on Old Lake Road off M-93 in Grayling Township (south of M-72 West), and at many local businesses in Grayling and Crawford County.

Registration will be held from 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. the day of the race; race begins at 10 a.m.

For more information, or to register by phone, call the Grayling Recreation Authority at (989) 348-9266 or send e-mail

to: [hansonhills@hotmail.com](mailto:hansonhills@hotmail.com).

## WMU's Gold Company returning to Grayling

The Grayling Promotional Association's (GPA) Cultural Events Program's Command Performance Series will present Western Michigan University's (WMU) Gold Company on Thursday, February 12 in Grayling.

The Gold Company is a jazz show vocal entertainment ensemble from WMU in Kalamazoo. Its members are selected by audition from the college's enrollment of 27,000 students. The group features 16 singers and an instrumental ensemble.

Gold Company, which maintains an active performance schedule throughout the United States, Canada and Europe, performs in every style – from vocal jazz and show tunes to hits of today.

The group has been selected seven times as "Outstanding Vocal Jazz Ensemble" by the International Association of Jazz Educators and has produced seven record albums and numerous demo tapes and videos for

publishing companies.

Dr. Stephen Zegree, Gold Company Director, is Professor of Music at WMU. Dr. Zegree, an accomplished classical and jazz pianist, has performed throughout the world as a pianist, conductor, and clinician.

Gold Company performs under the auspices of the School of Music at WMU, part of the College of Fine Arts. The School, led by Director Richard O'Hearn, enrolls nearly 500 music majors who study with a full-time faculty of 39 artists-professors.

The Command Performance Series is sponsored by area businesses and corporations and the Michigan Council for the Arts and Cultural Affairs.

WMU's Gold Company will perform in the Evergreen Room at the Grayling Holiday Inn; doors open at 6:45 p.m., concert begins at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for students and senior citizens, and include assorted cookies and non-alcoholic beverage.

## Firefighters grant writing workshop coming to Grayling

The Department of Homeland Security's Office of Domestic Preparedness will hold grant assistance workshops in northern Michigan, designed to guide local fire departments in applying for the \$750 million Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program.

"This federal funding helps support the hard work and dedication of local people as they serve their own communities," said 1st District U.S. Rep. Bart Stupak (D-Menominee).

"Fire departments across northern Michigan have already received millions of dollars worth of fire grants, and I urge the local agencies to take full advantage of these workshops to make it easier to apply and receive the federal assistance," he said.

These funds are used by the nation's firefighters to increase the effectiveness of firefighting operations, firefighter health and safety programs, new fire fighting equipment, emergency medical services programs and fire prevention and safety programs.

Workshops will be held at the Kewadin Casino Hotel in Sault Ste. Marie on February 18 at 9 a.m. and at Lakeview Arena in Marquette on February 19 at 7 p.m.

In Grayling, a workshop will be held on Monday, March 15 at 7 p.m. at the Beaver Creek Township Hall, 8888 South Grayling Road.

## RAFFLE WINNERS

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# The Bible Speaks

## Life or Death War?

Female suicide terrorist Reem Keyashi was videotaped just before killing four Israelis and herself recently speaking the following words: "I always wanted to be the first woman who sacrifices her life for Allah. My joy will be complete when my body parts fly in all directions." Reem's "joy" to die a martyr implies a positive value upon her death. Dying for Allah and the radical terrorist leaders was more important to her than living to care for her own two children. And Reem's surviving children are being taught to honor their own death just like their mother? PA TV repeatedly plays a popular music video which teaches children that the earth is thirsting for the blood of children. One of the lyrics says, "How sweet is the fragrance of the shahids, how sweet is the scent of the earth, its thirst quenched by the gush of blood, flowing from the youthful body."

The sacrifice of children to the gods is an ancient religious practice in the land of Canaan, now popularly called Palestine. God warned Israel against such practices in Deut. 12:31: "Thou shalt not do so unto the LORD thy God: for every abomination to the LORD, which he hateth, have they done unto their gods; for even their sons and their daughters they have burnt in the fire to their gods. But even some in Israel turned to the pagan religious practice for which God warned them in Jer. 32:35: "And they built the high places of Baal, which are in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to cause their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire unto Molech; which I commanded them not, neither came it into my mind, that they should do this abomination, to cause Judah to sin." Centuries ago the sacrifice of children was for Molech and Baal, but today it is for Allah. Only the time and names seem to change.

PA TV publicly teaches it is god's,

will that they die. "The believer was created to know his Lord and to uphold Islam to be a shahid, or intend to be a shahid. If the Muslim does not aspire to shahada, he will die as in the jahiliya (pre-Islam faith). If we truthfully request it of Allah, He will grant us its rewards even if we die in bed." Their god promised to reward them for dying for him: "All his sins are forgiven from the first gush of blood; he is exempted from the torments of the grave (Judgment)... he marries 72 Dark-Eyed (Virgins or Maidens of Paradise)... on his head is placed a crown of honor, one stone of which is worth more than all there is in this world." It is no wonder three different polls indicate that a high percentage of Palestinian children aspire to shahada. As Issam Sissalem said on PA TV: "We are not afraid to die and do not love life." Now we realize that only about 10% of Muslims, a radical minority, may hold such extreme views, but 10% of over a billion people is quite an army.

In contrast, America was founded upon exalting the God-given unalienable rights declared in our Declaration of Independence, which affirms that life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness are the core values upon which our nation rests. In our war against global terrorism we are fighting an enemy holding diametrically opposed values. We love life. They love spreading death. We love liberty. They seek to spread tyranny. We love happiness. They accept their misery and seek it for us. Their god seeks them to die for him. Our God sent His Son to die for all humanity. Their god promises them heaven for killing us. Our God promises heaven to all humans, including Muslims, who will believe and trust in His death, burial, and resurrection for their sins.

But Muslims must be confused by the hypocrisy evident in American practice of faith. Because even while

life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness is professed, many practice the opposite in their lives. We have a segment of Americans who have degenerated into their own pagan death cult. They choose death instead of life as their preferred solution to problems. Abortion for millions of the innocent unborn, suicide for the diseased and oppressed, and euthanasia for the elderly and dying are being promoted by secularists as the best hope for America's future happiness. May we pray for each other the prayer of Phil. 2:15: "That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world." May God give us Christians the courage to become His salt and light both at home and abroad. Pastor "B"

Please pray for God's blessings upon the ministry of this column and our church Website at <http://www.12k.net/cba>. We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn more from the Bible about Jesus Christ. Join us in a verse by verse study of the gospel of John each Sunday.

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## Discover the second oldest river on Earth



White water rafting on the New River, the second oldest river on Earth.

The Grayling Promotional Association's (GPA) Community Cultural Events Program's Travel and Adventure Series will present "Along the New River," a travelogue hosted by Ken Creed, on Thursday, February 19. This is the third travelogue in the 2003-2004 series.

Many renowned geologists consider the New River to be the second oldest river on Earth, second only to the Nile in Egypt. The last accepted estimates date it at 65 million years in its present course.

Along the New River Gorge, rocks exposed are as old as 330 million years.

The New River flows through three states: western North Carolina, southwestern Virginia, and West Virginia. One of the highlights of the film will include the New River Gorge National River Preserve.

Creed will guide the audience on a tour of the 62,000 acres of land and 53 miles along the New

River, located between the towns of Hinton and Fayetteville, West Virginia. Along Canyon Rim, the audience will see spectacular views of the gorge and the world's longest single arch steel span bridge.

Jump on for white water rafting, a boat trip through the Great Gorge, and a boardwalk view of the largest falls on the New River, which spans 1,500 feet.

A pleasant train ride will take the audience through the New River Park Preserve. Take time to fish along the New River, and join in the fun of the "Old Time Fiddlers Convention in Galax, Virginia."

Creed will take the audience on a stroll along the New River Adventure Trail, go horseback riding, rock climbing, and attend the Irish Spring Festival and watch the Greenery Stroll and the snake chase.

There will be highlights of West Virginia's largest one-day festival, "New River Gorge

Bridge Day Festival." The festival is held annually on the third Saturday in October, commemorating the 1977 completion of the New River Gorge Bridge.

Activities the audience will see include sky diving and bungee jumping off the bridge, crafts, scenic river cruises, white water rafting, and mountain climbing. There will be singing groups, a look at the camping facilities, and a weekend of many other activities.

The Travel and Adventure series is made possible by a partnership with Fick & Sons, Inc.

"Along the New River" will be presented Thursday, February 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Rialto Theatre, on Michigan Avenue in Grayling.

Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$6 for students and senior citizens, and are available by calling 348-7146, at the door or in advance at Flowers by Josie in Grayling.

Doors open at 6:45 p.m. and the presentation of "Along the New River" begins at 7:30 p.m.

## First Women's Aglow meeting this Saturday

The first meeting of the year for the local Women's Aglow Fellowship will take place on Valentine's Day, Saturday, February 14 at the Gerrish Township Hall.

The speaker that day will be Northern Michigan Area Team Vice President of Special Events, Debbie Mann of Roscommon. She will address the topic, "Ordinary Women with an Extraordinary Calling." Mann is the wife of Bud Mann, pastor of Resurrection Life Fellowship in Grayling.

Connie Sanderson, of Harrison, will lead a time of praise and wor-

ship. She has long had a heart for the spiritual needs of women and was founder of the first Women's Aglow Chapter in the area nearly 24 years ago, in Houghton Lake. The chapter is said to have profoundly impacted scores of women, their families and children.

Since 1969, Women's Aglow Fellowship International has been a leading, dynamic, inter-denominational and cross-cultural Christian women's ministry, with local chapters, or "Lighthouses," now in 152 countries. Aglow's vision continues to be "to lead women to Jesus Christ, equipping

them to grow in their faith and lead other women to Him." Women's Aglow is continuing its mission and reaching out to a whole new generation of women.

There will be no charge to attend the meeting, scheduled for 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday, February 14, or for the light soup and salad luncheon following. All women are welcome.

The Gerrish Township Hall is located on County Road 100, on the east side of Higgins Lake. For more information about the meeting or for more specific directions, call Sandy Rosenthal at 821-8447 or Debbie Mann at 821-8919.

## Valentine's Day Smorgasbord

Pork Loin Culet Oscar Style with Crab  
Asparagus covered with Hollandaise  
Carved Roasted Prime Rib of Beef  
Shrimp Fettuccini Alfredo  
Honey Mustard Chicken  
Beef Pepper Steak  
Breaded Shrimp  
Glazed Carrots  
Rice Pilaf  
Cream of Broccoli Soup  
Complete Salad Bar with all the trimmings  
Gourmet buffet of Smoked White Fish  
Chilled Oyster Mussels and Peel & Eat Shrimp  
Variety of Fresh Slice Fruit with Hot Caramel and Hot Fudge Toppings  
Assorted Cubed Cheeses and Crackers  
Veggies and Dip  
Triple Layer Strawberry Short Cake for Dessert  
**\$18.95 Per Person**  
Add on options:  
1 pound of Crab for \$4.00  
Lobster Tail for \$9.95

Special Dessert Add on:  
6 layer Colossal Chocolate  
Heavenly rich cake, filled with a delicious fudge icing flowing between layers and enhanced with cookie crumbs at \$4.50 per pound.

**Holiday Inn**

2650 I-75 Business Loop  
Grayling, MI 49738  
989-348-7611 or 800-292-9655

**Crawford Station**

**Christian Science Society**  
209 First St. - Suite 103 • Grayling  
(989) 732-7001  
Sunday Service: 10:30 am  
Wed. & Sat. Evening Prayer: 7 pm  
Sunday School: 10:30 am

**Methodist Memorial United Methodist Church**  
Pastor: Jeffrey Jagers  
400 Michigan Ave. • 348-2774  
Website: [www.mmc.org](http://www.mmc.org)  
Baptist Church  
Sunday Service: 8:30 & 11 am  
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.  
Children's Sunday School: 11 am  
Bible Study (Wed): 10:30 am

**Seventh Day Adventist**  
Pastor: Jeff Jagers  
Phone: 348-275-6811  
Services held Sunday at  
10:30 am  
Sabbath School: 9:30 am  
Bible Study: 10:30 am  
Wednesday Service: 7 pm

**Lutheran Church**  
Pastor: Rick Grayling  
Sunday Service: 10 am  
Sunday School: 11 am  
Bible Study (Wed): 7 pm

**First Methodist**  
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**First Lutheran Church**  
Pastor: Rick Grayling  
Sunday Service: 10 am  
Sunday School: 11 am  
Bible Study (Wed): 7 pm

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**Community of Christ**  
Pastor: Pauline Poirer, 348-1278  
801 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling  
Sunday School: 10 am  
Sunday Service & Children's Church: 11 am  
Sunday Evening Service: 6 pm  
Wednesday Prayer Meeting: 7 pm  
Wednesday Bible Study: 7 pm

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## State House passes anti-trash package

LANSING — The House overwhelmingly approved a package of bills on February 5 that would significantly curb the flow of Canadian and out-of-state waste into Michigan, including House Bills 4098 and 4099.

State Rep. Matt Gillard (D-Alpena) characterized the House action as a tremendous victory for Michigan citizens and a major blow to the waste industry and their powerful friends in Lansing. "The people of Michigan have waited a long time for us to stand up for them and against those who profit from trashing our beautiful state," Gillard said. "While this is a huge win, our fight is far from over. We won't stop fighting until these bills reach the Governor's desk and are signed into law."

Gillard, who co-sponsored HB 4098 and HB 4099, said the people of Michigan are not intimidated by the waste industry threats of a lawsuit.

"If their lawyers want to challenge these bills, I say we will see you in court," said Gillard. "The bottom line is that these bills were carefully drafted to hold up to any legal challenge, and the people of Michigan are prepared to fight this battle as far and as long as it takes."

The package of bills include:

HB 4098, which would allow the state to reject trash from states that have regulatory systems less stringent than Michigan's; and

HB 4099, which would add returnable containers to the list of items prohibited from disposal in Michigan landfills.

From the beginning, Gillard's bills earned bipartisan support and pressure to approve the bills came from grassroots organizations.

Added pressure came early in February after the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) released a shocking report showing a 35 percent increase in the amount of out-of-state trash coming into Michigan, with a 43 percent increase in Canadian trash.

"Intense public pressure and the DEQ report finally opened the eyes of reluctant legislators and convinced them to approve these bills," Gillard said.

"Nobody should have to live in a community where more than 100 roaring 35-ton Canadian garbage trucks rumble over neighborhood streets every day. I'm extremely pleased by today's (February 5) vote. The fight isn't over, and we won't stop until the trash trucks do."

## Quilter recognized for volunteer work

by Susan Warrington  
Staff Writer

Mary Ellen Metiva, a well-known local quilter has been given a pin by the Veteran's Hospital in Saginaw for her work in helping veterans.

Although she does not work at the hospital, Metiva has donated over 1,000 hours of her time helping the veterans there.

Fifteen years ago, Metiva read about the need for lap quilts, as well as wheelchair

and walker bags for America's veterans.

She began what has turned into a long-term project and has been providing all of the above items ever since. In recognition of her service, Metiva was given a pin for 1,000 hours of volunteer service.

Metiva has also given generously of her time and talent with quilt projects to benefit the local River House Shelter and Domestic Crisis Services.



Mary Ellen Metiva, of Grayling, works on quilts for the River House Shelter.

## Special Mershon display under development

The Lovells Township Historical Society is busy in the planning stages of a new display for their Log Museum which will open to the public on the 2004 Trout Opening Weekend, April 24-25.

The new display will feature William B. Mershon, the well-known hunter, fisherman, conservation leader, author, and noted Saginaw lumber merchant.

Mershon built a fishing lodge on the banks of the North Branch of the AuSable River just below Lovells. His beloved High Banks Lodge was a setting for sport, entertaining and fine wilderness dining at the turn of the century. He called this river, "the best trout stream in the world." He lived and fished our Michigan waters at a time when the now extinct Michigan grayling yielded to brook, rainbow and brown trout.

We are interested in capturing and presenting Mershon's history on the North Branch and are seeking assistance from the public in gathering meaningful artifacts, pictures, stories and any information relating to this famous Michigan personality.

Assisting in the planning and development of the new display are Edward B. Wickes, Mershon's great nephew and the William B. Mershon Trout Unlimited Chapter ex-president, Bo Brines.

Anyone who would like to share their artifacts, pictures, or information about Mershon, is asked to contact Glen Eberly at (248) 626-6515 or (989) 348-3084, or Darrell Fuller at (989) 348-7951, or Dr. Roger Fechner at (989) 348-4880 or (517) 265-9561.

Be a part of recreating a page from our Michigan past by helping to profile this famous Michigander. The display will be developed over the winter and the society welcomes interested parties to participate in the research, artifact collection, and display creation.

## Historical Society planning for Heritage Day



The Historical Society board stopped their planning for the July 3 Heritage Day for a moment so they could be recorded for history. Anyone interested in working with the board on Heritage Day plans or on any area of museum operations should contact a board member or attend one of their meetings held the first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the library. The board members are (back row, left to right) Trustee Bill Greene, Vice-Chair Steve Doyle, Chair Kay Cosgray, and Treasurer Mary Coy. Seated are Craig Dandy, Curator Bob Ruddy, Trustee Mike Shearer and Secretary Larry Akers. Missing from the picture are trustees Cindy Cain, Bill Nielson and Joe White.

## Grayling Promotional Association Community Cultural Events presents the 31st season of TRAVEL & ADVENTURE SERIES

### "Along the New River"



with  
Ken Creed



Thank you, Crawford County, for letting me serve you as your Library Director. This was a wonderful community and library for my first job upon earning my Master's in Library and Information Science. I only wish I could have served you longer.

Thank you all so much for your support during this difficult time. I am encouraged and excited about Grayling again as I see the selflessness and caring in this small community.

It is now four weeks since the Board meeting where no one seconded Judy Morford's motion to discuss my contract. I had every reason to expect a contract to continue as the Director of the Crawford County Library.

The Board recommended a new contract at my last evaluation. The Board had been working to prepare a new contract which Judy was prepared to present and discuss. I was not even asking for a raise, as I knew we needed to find additional funding to continue running the library at its current level of service.

I can only conjecture the reasoning behind the sudden change, since not one of the remaining Board members has ever discussed it with me. I worry that this is a short-sighted move that will only hurt the library and this community in the future. I know it has hurt the library staff and upset a great many people. I worry for the library.

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Here are a few ideas on how you can get involved:

- join the Friends of the Library (applications are available at the Devereaux Library)
- attend Library Board Meetings (2nd Thursday of each month at 12:30 p.m., Devereaux Library in Grayling)
- volunteer your time and/or your money for the library
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And if you want to help me, call or stop by and say hello. I tend to suffer from loneliness and depression. It is a mild form of depression under control with medication. Visits and hugs are the only treatment for loneliness that I know of.

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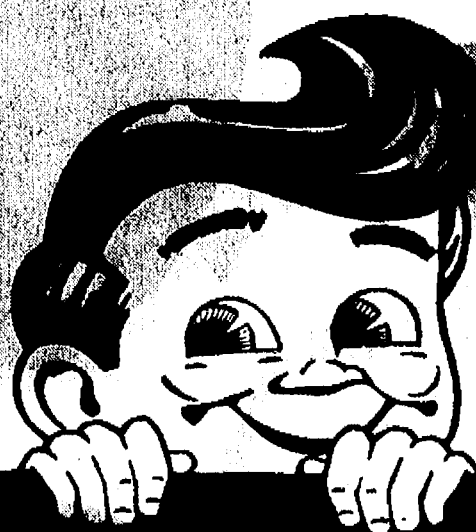
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## Troop 995 endures, enjoys wintery Klondike Derby



Photo courtesy of Boy Scout Troop 995

Grayling Boy Scout Troop 995 recently attended the annual Klondike Derby near Lupton. Some of the scouts earned their Polar Bear patches, testing their winter survival skills. The Troop includes, from left: (back row) Scott Grougan, Nathan Pickell, Nick Grougan, Tom Pilon, James Haight, Leader Jim Pickell; (front row) Leader Dave Shriver, Dylan Nye, John Ventline, Storm Shriver, Alex Millar.

### ► Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser planned for this Friday, Feb. 13

Local Boy Scout Troops and Webelo Packs attended their district's Klondike Derby on January 17. The Klondike was sponsored this year by Roscommon Boy Scout Troop 994 at Northwoods Scout Reservation near Lupton.

A total of 73 Boy Scouts and 46 Webelos attended this year's event, representing nine Troops and seven Packs.

The boys had a beautiful, sunny day with lots of snow and everyone reported having a great time.

Some of the events the boys compete in at the Klondike Derby include Fire Building, First Aid, Shelter Building, Knots, Sled Race and more.

Some 30 boys and adults even braved temperatures of minus 7 degrees to camp overnight to earn their Polar Bear patch. Grayling's Boy Scout Troop 995 took 2nd place overall, while hosting Roscommon Boy Scout Troop 994 won top honors.

Troop 995 will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser this Friday, February 13 at the

Grayling Eagles Hall, on Huron Street (M-72 East), from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Dinner will include spaghetti, salad, bread, dessert and beverages.

Tickets can be purchased at the door. Prices are \$5 for adults, \$2.50 for children ages six to 12 years, and \$20 for families.

The Scouts ask the community to come and show your support so they can attend many more

skill-building events.

Boys or their parents who would like more information about joining Troop 995 are asked to speak to one of the Troop's leaders at the dinner or stop in at a meeting.

Troop 995 is chartered by Airway Automation and meetings are held there, on Industrial Street in Grayling, each Monday at 6:30 p.m.

### GHS grads to study abroad

Tiffany Craigie, of Grayling, and Robert VanNuck, of Frederic, are among several Central Michigan University (CMU) students who will study abroad this spring.

Craigie, a senior majoring in language arts in the elementary education program at CMU, will be student teaching in Australia.

A graduate of Grayling High School, she is the daughter of Carol Craigie.

VanNuck, a sophomore majoring in international business at CMU, will travel to Bielefeld, Germany, where he will use the CMU International Foreign Language Scholarship to attend classes on the German language and culture.

A graduate of Grayling High School, he is the son of Pete and Martha VanNuck.

CMU offers nearly 200 study abroad programs in more than 50 countries. Studying abroad introduces students to different higher education systems and new cultures, and enhances cross cultural communication skills.

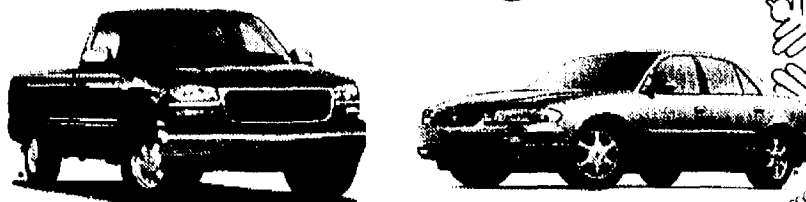
"Studying abroad provides life changes for our students. They

return with a greater understanding of themselves and the world," said Meredith Gall, study abroad adviser.

Each year approximately 300 students enter the program, and often the same students return the following year to go to a different country.

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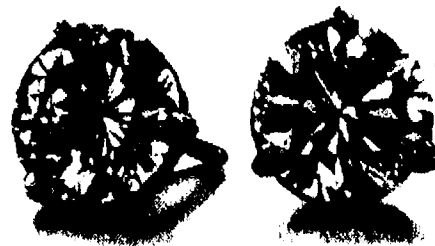
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## KCC instructor wins state service award

Kirtland Community College's (KCC) science instructor, Denise Kemp, was honored with the Michigan Campus Compact (MCC) Faculty/Staff Service-Learning Award in a ceremony on February 5 at Grand Valley State University in Allendale.

The award is the highest MCC bestows upon faculty and staff in Michigan.

Kemp, of Luzerne, was designated by her peers as the faculty/staff person who made the most outstanding contributions in the area of community service learning. The award recognizes the influence on or engagement of students to be involved in community service or service-learning through modeling, instruction, and/or projects.

Kemp is strenuously committed to environmental issues, and



Denise Kemp

the preservation of nature has become the hallmark of Kirtland's science curriculum. Her Nature Study students participate in an Adopt-A-Forest program and study samples col-

lected along the AuSable River to assess the impact of human contact with the river ecosystem. Her Chemistry students sponsor a Chemistry Day for local fourth and sixth graders.

Her courses are popular, due in no small part to the exciting ways she incorporates service into the traditional curriculum.

Michigan Campus Compact is a state level non-profit organization that promotes the education and commitment of Michigan college students to be civically engaged citizens, through creating and expanding academic, co-curricular and campus-wide opportunities for community service, service-learning and civic engagement.

For more information about Kirtland's science curriculum, call (989) 275-5000, ext. 391.

## GHS grad performs youth theater

As part of Central Michigan University's (CMU) University Theater, Jared Armstrong, of Grayling, recently performed in "Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse."

Armstrong played the role of "Wilson" in the play adapted for young theater audiences. The cast of 10 rehearsed for two months and interviewed elementary school children to prepare for the performances.

Jared is a graduate of Grayling High School, and a senior at CMU majoring in theater. He is the son of Fred Armstrong of Gaylord and Jann Besonen of Grayling.

## MILITARY NEWS

MM2 Matthew W. Kroell, age 21 of Grayling, was promoted in November 2003 to the rank of Second Class Petty Officer in the U.S. Navy.

Kroell is currently assigned as a machinist's mate on the submarine USS Louisiana, homeported at Kings Bay, GA.

Kroell completed rigorous qualification training in submarines in March 2003, and diesel maintenance school in November 2003 at Kings Bay.

Kroell is a 2001 graduate of Grayling High School and the son of Martin and Marsha Kroell of Grayling.

## HONORS

### Adrian College

Colby G. Davis, a 2000 graduate of Grayling High School, has been named to the 2003 Fall Semester Dean's List at Adrian College, a liberal arts institution in Adrian.

To achieve this honor, Colby was required to maintain at least a 3.5 grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 scale and carry at least 12 credit hours.

Colby is the daughter of the Hon. Alton T. and Sandra Davis of Grayling.

## Yes, you can grow roses in northern Michigan

► Register for upcoming 'Roses for Michigan' workshop today

The Sunrise Side Master Gardener Association sold out its January "Natural Landscape" program, and is hoping for equal success with Nancy Lindley's "Roses for Michigan" scheduled for March 6.

Yes, one can grow roses successfully in northern Michigan, Lindley said.

Lindley is a Michigan State University Extension (MSUE) certified Master Gardener herself, as well as an American Rose Society consulting rosarian. She is the author of the 2004 book, "Roses for Michigan" and owner, with husband Roger, of Great Lakes Roses in Belleville, which has more than 700 varieties of roses.

Lindley will discuss the best

roses for Michigan gardens, including hybrid teas, shrub roses, climbers and antique roses, along with planting, pruning, cultivating and feeding.

Of special interest to northern Michigan gardeners, Lindley will emphasize winterizing and improving the winter-hardiness of roses, along with the best varieties for colder climates.

"Rose breeders as far away as Russia and Scandinavia, as well as in the northern United States and Canada, have developed cold-hardy roses that are also repeat blooming, fragrant and disease-resistant," Lindley said.

Thom Grant, of Oscoda, president of the Sunrise Side Master Gardener Association, said he was "surprised beyond belief and very happy with the turnout" of 150 people for Janet Macunovich's "Natural Landscape" program on January 10. "Now, we are looking forward to the next one. Think spring!"



Roses for Michigan will be held from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 6 at the Tawas Bay Players Auditorium, 401 Newman Street in East Tawas, west of US-23. The program is being presented by the Sunrise Side Master Gardener Association, in conjunction with the Iosco County MSU Extension.

Early registration is \$15; registration after February 15 is \$20. Cost for Master Gardeners is \$10. A snow day is planned for Sunday, March 7. To register, make checks payable to, and send to: MSU Extension, P.O. Box 599, Tawas City, MI 48764; or register at the Iosco County MSU Extension Office, 420 West Lake Street (US-23), Tawas City.

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## Credit union honored for generosity



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Each fall, the employees and members of North Central Area Credit Union (NCACU) gear up to make sure that every child in their area has a wonderful Christmas. Some staff and members donated gifts, while others made monetary donations. The U.S. Marine Corps Reserve recently recognized the Grayling Branch of NCACU for its outstanding achievement in support of the 2003 Toys for Tots program. "The Marine Corps called to say it was short on gifts for our area. I put the word out to staff and they passed it along to our members, who in turn were very gracious in helping to meet the needed goal," said Janet Varney-Small, Grayling Branch Manager. "It is nice to help out any organization, but to know you are making a child's Christmas special really means a lot." NCACU is very active in working with and helping its area communities.

## Banquet to raise funds for wild turkey conservation

Help support wild turkey conservation by attending the Wild Turkey Super Fund Auction and Dinner, hosted by the Beaver Creek Gobblers Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf) on March 6 at the Holiday Inn in Grayling.

The doors will open at 5:30 p.m. for the social hour before sitting down for dinner.

All ticket holders will be eligible to win prizes exclusive to National Wild Turkey Federation events. Place the highest bid and attendees could go home with

sporting art, hunting guns, knives, calls, outdoor equipment and more.

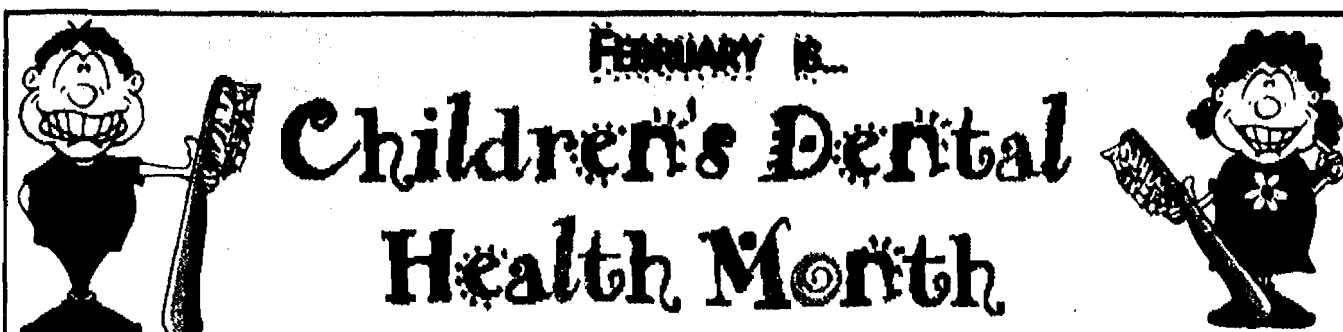
Tickets for the Beaver Creek Gobblers Chapter's Annual Wild Turkey Super Fund banquet are priced at \$65 each and include membership. The purchase of membership will help the NWTf support wildlife management on public, private and corporate lands and preserve hunting as a traditional North American sport.

Since the NWTf was founded 29 years ago, more than 21,000 projects have been completed

benefiting wild turkeys throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico.

The work of NWTf's volunteers and supporters is paying off. In 1973, there were an estimated 1.3 million wild turkeys and 1.5 million turkey hunters. Today, there are an estimated 5.6 million wild turkeys and about 2.6 million turkey hunters.

Reserve tickets to the banquet by calling Dennis Ryan at (989) 348-8338. For more information, log on to [www.nwtf.org](http://www.nwtf.org) or e-mail: [nwtf@nwtf.net](mailto:nwtf@nwtf.net).



### Baby Bottle Tooth Decay THE LEADING CAUSE OF CHILDREN'S TOOTH LOSS ~

Baby bottle tooth decay (BBTD), a serious dental condition that strikes children between the ages of one and four, is the subject of a new public awareness. When left unchecked, BBTD leads to serious conditions that affect children's later dental health, eating habits and growth. BBTD is caused by prolonged exposure to fluids such as milk, formula and juice, especially when used in a bedtime or naptime bottle. Sugary fluids pool around children's teeth and become a breeding ground for bacteria. Acid produced by bacteria attacks tooth enamel and causes decay after repeated attacks. Long time exposure leads to severe toothaches, abscessed teeth or tooth loss.

#### Important advice for preventing BBTD

- Parents should begin offering fluids in a cup to children at age six months and have babies off bottles at the age of one year
- Avoid using a bottle to help children fall asleep or fill it with water rather than sugary liquids.
- Clean the baby's gum and tooth area with a soft washcloth at least once a day after the appearance of the first tooth
- Parents should also check baby's mouth once a month for any early signs of tooth decay, such as white streaks on the upper four front teeth near the gum line
- A child's first dental appointment should be scheduled around the time of the second birthday or sooner if parents notice problems

Baby, or primary, teeth are very important. Children need healthy teeth for chewing, speaking clearly, developing self-esteem and spacing for their permanent teeth. With a little effort parents can ensure their child will have a happy, healthy smile.

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## Roscommon Fair invites Crawford entries

The Roscommon County Fair Board would like to improve its fair in 2004 by involving more citizens and more local communities in the event.

The Board needs volunteers, participants and animal entries, and would like to be able to determine the amount of interest in the community.

Animal entries are of the greatest importance as the Board attempts to expand the livestock divisions and obtain ribbons and trophies for the winners.

Animals needed for entry include: llamas, chickens, peafowl, pigs/hogs, calves/steer,

rabbits, lambs/sheep, goats, horses/ponies, geese, and donkeys/mules.

Any other animals citizens are willing to show at the fair will be considered.

Because Crawford County will not hold a fair in 2004, the Roscommon County Fair Board invites all Crawford 4-H groups to enter this event, scheduled for August 13-15.

Those interested in participating with an animal entry or by volunteering, are asked to write a short letter including name, address, type of animal(s), number of animals and/or description

of volunteer interests, and send to: The Roscommon County Fair Board, P.O. Box 352, Roscommon, MI 48653.

The Roscommon County Fair Board asks that letters be sent for their receipt no later than February 20.

For more information, call Norma King at (989) 422-6012.

## Seniors offered basic computer course

Kirtland's popular basic computer course designed especially for seniors gets under way Wednesday, February 25 at the M-TEC at Kirtland-Gaylord.

Taught by Clay Horton, the three-hour evening course features the Windows XP operating system along with the Office XP 2002 Suite.

"They can learn how to manage files, work with photos, and make brochures and flyers. They can even learn how to make their own web page without HTML or special coding," Horton said.

"Most important of all, they can learn how to attach pictures to an e-mail, or download photos that have been attached to e-mails they receive. That's something they all seem to really want to know."

The course earns students two hours of college credits. Tuition is waived for eligible, in-district senior citizens, but they will be charged \$41 in registration, course, facilities and technology fees. Out-of-district students will pay \$235. Textbook for the course is about \$30.

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### Sentencings for January 2004

#### Hon. Alton T. Davis

Kert Dennis Swoffer, age 45 of Grayling - Assault with a Weapon; ordered to pay \$60 to the Crime Victim Rights Fund and \$60 state minimum costs, sentenced January 5, 2004 to 23 to 48 months in prison, with credit for 14 days served.

Barry J. Fisher, age 28 of Grayling - Probation Violation on the original conviction of a Telecommunications Violation in May 1998; ordered to pay \$500 restitution and \$60 to the Crime Victim Rights Fund; sentenced January 5, 2004 to 32 to 48 months in prison, with credit for 401 days served.

Randy Bindschattel, age 39 of Kalkaska - Probation Violation on the original conviction of Controlled Substance Deliver/Manufacture Schedule 4 in January 1993; ordered to pay \$400 circuit court costs, \$499.80 restitution, and \$645 attorney fee; sentenced January 5, 2004 to reinstatement of probation with all original terms and conditions.

Matthew Michael Sarkozi, age 17 of Roscommon - Children - Contribute to Delinquency; ordered to pay \$45 state minimum costs, \$60 to the Crime Victim Rights Fund, \$300 in circuit court costs, and \$350 attorney fee; sentenced January 5, 2004 to 60 days in jail with credit for one day served and placed on 18 months probation.

Arnold Stanley Randall, age 50 of Grayling - Financial Transaction Utter/Publish; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs and \$60 to the Crime Victim Rights Fund; sentenced January 5, 2004 to 150 days in jail with credit for 15 days served.

Kathleen Marie Hosley, age 37 of Lupton - Embezzlement by an Agent \$200 to \$1,000; ordered to pay \$300 circuit court costs, \$350 attorney fee, \$50 to the Crime Victim Rights Fund, and \$45 state minimum costs; sentenced on January 22, 2004 to one day in jail with credit for one day served, placed on six months probation.

#### Hon. Dennis F. Murphy

Joe Ronnie Jacobs, age 33 of Inkster - Fleeing from Police Officer - 4th Degree; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs and \$60 to the Crime Victim Rights Fund, sentenced January 8, 2004 to 24 to 48 months in prison with credit for 157 days served.

Dell Evan Povey, age 39 of Frederic - Substance -

Deliver/Manufacture Marijuana; Driver License suspended 30 days, restricted 150 days; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 to the Crime Victim Rights Fund, \$300 circuit court costs, \$100 penal fine, and \$65 restitution to the Michigan State Police STING Unit; sentenced January 8, 2004 to 30 days in jail with credit for 2 days served, placed on 18 months probation.

Burton Canfield, Jr., age 36 of Grayling - Substance - Deliver/Manufacture Marijuana; Driver License suspended 30 days, restricted 150 days; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 to the Crime Victim Rights Fund, \$300 circuit court costs, and \$500 penal fine; sentenced January 8, 2004 to 90 days in jail with credit for one day served, placed on 18 months probation.

Dennis James Cavanaugh, age 45 of Wayne - Probation Violation on the original conviction of Controlled Substance - 2nd Offense - Double Penalty in November 2003; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 to the Crime Victim Rights Fund, \$300 circuit court costs, \$100 penal fine, and \$350 attorney fee; sentenced on January 12,

2004 to 45 days in jail with credit for five days served, unsuccessfully discharged from probation.

#### Hon. John G. Hunter

Patrick Allen Gildner, age 46 of Grayling - Substance - Deliver/Manufacture Marijuana; Driver License suspended 60 days, restricted 120 days; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 to the Crime Victim Rights Fund, \$300 circuit court costs, \$100 penal fine, and \$350 attorney fee; sentenced January 6, 2004 to 30 days in jail with credit for one day served, remaining 29 days held in abeyance pending conduct in the community, placed on 18 months probation.

Christopher R. Rollins, age 35 of Frederic - Larceny \$1,000 to \$20,000; ordered to pay \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 to the Crime Victim Rights Fund, and \$300 circuit court costs; sentenced on January 6, 2004 to 180 days in jail with credit for four days served, sentence to commence January 9, 2004. If court assessments are paid in full during incarceration, defendant shall receive 25 percent reduction in jail sentence. Defendant granted work release.

## 87TH DISTRICT COURT

### Sentencings for January 2004

#### Hon. John G. Hunter

Jason Errol Thayer, age 30 of Grayling - Assault/Assault and Battery; ordered to pay \$405 fines/costs and \$811.66 restitution or spend 63 days in jail.

Derrick Leon Hills, age 43 of Southfield - License Suspended/Revoked - Allowed Suspended Person to Operate; ordered to pay \$155 fines/costs.

Adam Paul Barclay, age 19 of Grayling - Improper Use of a License Plate; ordered to pay \$100 fines/costs.

Sabrina Marie Fenske, age 20 of Mio - Failure to Display Valid License; ordered to pay \$120 fines/costs or spend 12 days in jail.

Robert Anthony Pray, age 43 of Roscommon - State ID Card Altered/Forged and Used; ordered to pay \$895 fines/costs or spend 90 days in jail.

Amanda Faye Trosper, age 18 of Johannesburg - Retail Fraud Third Degree; ordered to pay \$370 fines/costs or spend 37 days in jail.

John Robert Wilhelm, age 65 of Saginaw - Impaired Driving; ordered to pay \$435 fines/costs or spend 43 days in jail.

Mark David Bess, age 37 of Grayling - License Plates Expired; ordered to pay \$100 or spend 10 days in jail.

Patrick Herman Montgomery, age 48 of Waterford - Controlled Substance/Possession of Marijuana; ordered to pay \$495 fines/costs or spend 49 days in jail.

Mathew Guy VanSickle, age 17 of Grayling - Retail Fraud Third Degree; ordered to pay \$245 fines/costs.

Shelly Kay Lumbert, age 33 of Jackson - License Suspended/Revoked - Allowed a Suspended Person to Operate and Improper Use of a License Plate; ordered to pay \$495 fines/costs or spend 49 days in jail.

Kevin Paul Behrens, age 41 of Roscommon - Firearm Possession While Under the Influence and Using Another's Hunting/Fishing License; ordered to pay \$655 fines/costs or spend 65 days in jail.

Scott Matthew Michels, age 24 of Grayling - Operating While Visibly Impaired; ordered to pay \$435 fines/costs or spend 43 days in jail.

Gerald Arthur Mayhew, age 39 of Grayling - Disturbance of the Peace; ordered to pay \$60 fines/costs or spend 6 days in jail.

Shane Tyler Bush, age 20 of Farmington Hills - No Valid License in Possession; ordered to

pay \$120 fines/costs or spend 12 days in jail.

David Charles DeCaire, age 25 of Alpena - Operate While Visibly Impaired; ordered to pay \$355 fines/costs or spend 35 days in jail, placed on 91 days probation.

Robert Lee Phillips, age 60 of Portage - Operate While Visibly Impaired; ordered to pay \$435 fines/costs or spend 43 days in jail.

Thomas Patrick Hasbany, age 56 of Lansing - Operate While Visibly Impaired; ordered to pay \$815 fines/costs or spend 81 days in jail.

Kristy Anne Kauffman, age 25 of Grayling - Received and Concealed Stolen Property Under \$200 Value; ordered to pay \$445 fines/costs or spend 44 days in jail.

Peter Augustus Haverstock, age 22 of Grayling - Retail Fraud Third Degree; ordered to pay \$645 fines/costs or spend 64 days in jail.

Robert Lewis Harris, age 31 of Grayling - License Suspended/Revoked - Allowed a Suspended Person to Operate; ordered to pay \$745 fines/costs or spend 74 days in jail.

Mathew Guy VanSickle, age 17 of Grayling - Received and Concealed Stolen Property \$200 to \$1,000 Value; ordered to pay \$765 fines/costs and placed on 182 days probation.

Jeffrey Scott Stiver, age 37 of Roscommon - Unlawful Place of Bait for Deer - Prohibited; ordered to pay \$200 fines/costs or spend 20 days in jail.

Jeffrey Louis Carroll, age 44 of Grayling - Snowmobile Operate While Suspended/Revoked/Denied; ordered to pay \$295 fines/costs.

Michael Jerome Barrette, age 42 of Frederic - License Suspended/Revoked - Allowed Suspended Person to Operate and Received and Concealed Stolen Property Under \$100 Value; ordered to pay \$590

fines/costs or 58 days in jail.

Attorney Magistrate Julie Delaney Jennifer Roselee Leal, age 17 of Grayling - License Suspended/Revoked - Allowed Suspended Person to Operate; ordered to pay \$195 fines/costs or spend 19 days in jail.

Carlo Marcus Cattaneo, age 20 of Grayling - License Suspended/Revoked - Allowed Suspended Person to Operate; ordered to pay \$195 fines/costs or spend 19 days in jail.

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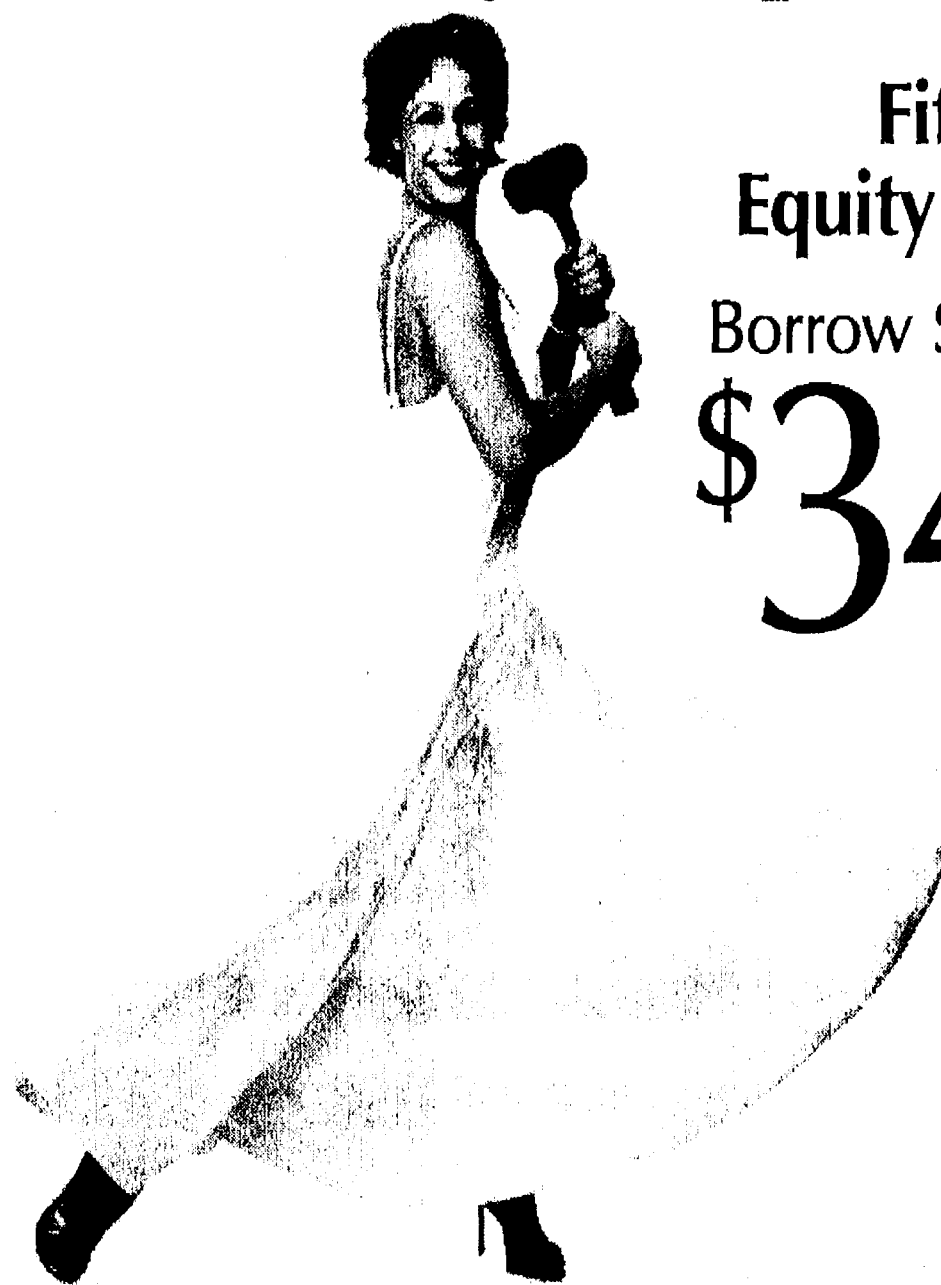
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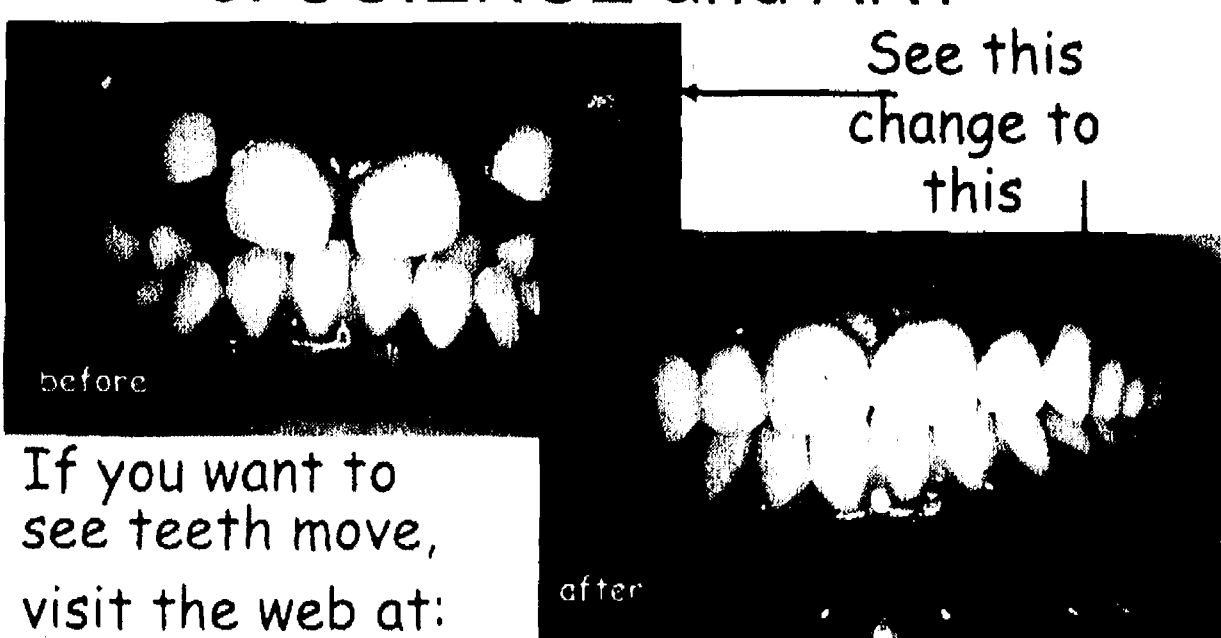
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Chrisy and Frank Olsen, of Grayling, announce the arrival of Thomas Jacobb, born at Mercy Hospital at 8:05 a.m. on December 2, 2003. He weighed 7 lbs., 14 oz. and was 19 3/4 inches long.

Heather and Jason McLean, of Grayling, announce the arrival of Anthony Eric, born at Mercy Hospital at 4:16 p.m. on December 11, 2003. He was 7 lbs., 12.8 oz. and was 21 inches long.

Michelle Murray and Bill Antcliff, of Grayling, announce the arrival of Meghan Rhein, born at Mercy Hospital at 7:58 a.m. on December 17, 2003. She weighed 6 lbs., 14 oz. and was 19 1/2 inches long.

Amanda and Timothy Austin,

of Grayling, announce the arrival of Dakota Joseph, born at Mercy Hospital at 7:59 p.m. on December 21, 2003. He weighed 6 lbs., 11 oz. and was 21 inches long.

Crystal and Donald Henry Jr., of Grayling, announce the arrival of Mary Jane, born at Mercy Hospital at 1:16 p.m. on December 26, 2003. She weighed 7 lbs., 8 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Jamie Reed and Paul Snyder announce the arrival of Brinanie Arian, born at Mercy Hospital at 12:03 p.m. on December 28, 2003. She weighed 6 lbs., 6.4 oz. and was 19 inches long.

Heather Lynch and Robert Reese announce the arrival of Hayden Bryce, born at Mercy Hospital at 6:34 p.m. on December 29, 2003. He weighed 8 lbs., 15 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Kathleen and Stephen Barlick announce the arrival of Emily Susan, born at Mercy Hospital at 4:28 p.m. on December 31, 2003. She weighed 6 lbs., 14 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Marlana and Chris Kucharek, of Grayling, announce the arrival of Elizabeth Marie, born at Mercy Hospital at 12:03 p.m. on January 5, 2004. She weighed 7 lbs., 3 oz. and was 20 3/4 inches long.

Doreen and David McGrath, of Grand Rapids, announce the arrival of Sophia Gabrielle, born on January 10, 2004. She weighed 8 lbs., 1 oz. and was 22 inches long. Maternal grandparents are Jesse and Judy Carlson of Roscommon. Maternal great-grandparents are John and Helen Carlson of Roscommon.

Jennalee and Mark Sumerix, of Frederic, announce the arrival of Tanner Jay, born at Mercy Hospital at 1:21 p.m. on January 13, 2004. He weighed

7 lbs., 11 oz. and was 19 inches long.

Tina Hendrix and Charles Baker, of Houghton Lake, announce the arrival of LaLee Nicole, born at Mercy Hospital at 4:35 p.m. on January 15, 2004. She weighed 8 lbs., 5 oz. and was 20.5 inches long.

Tabitha Mowrey and George McClusky, of Grayling, announce the arrival of George Albert, born at Mercy Hospital at 7:28 a.m. on January 16, 2004. He weighed 8 lbs., 7 oz. and was 21 3/4 inches long.

Kelli and Arron Millikin, of Grayling, announce the arrival of David Scott, born at Mercy Hospital at 5:22 p.m. on January 20, 2004. He weighed 9 lbs., 9 oz. and was 27 1/2 inches long.

Maria Wildman and David Smith announce the arrival of Alyssa Nicole, born at Mercy Hospital at 4:08 p.m. on January 22, 2004. She weighed 8 lbs., 3 oz. and was 20 inches long.

Laura and Nathan Mead, of Grayling, announce the arrival of Chase Allen, born at Mercy Hospital at 5:57 p.m. on November 6, 2003. He weighed 7 lbs., 8.8 ozs. and was 20.5 inches long.

Bobbi Keylor and Trent Handrich, of Wolverine, announce the arrival of Emily Rose, born at Mercy Hospital at 10:21 a.m. on November 11, 2003. She weighed 8 lbs. and was 21 inches long.

Kelly Harrison, of Grayling, announces the arrival of Katelyn Marie, born at Mercy Hospital at 2:02 p.m. on November 19, 2003. She weighed 6 lbs. and was 18 inches long.

Tara L. and Allen G. Iverson Sr., announce the arrival of Zachery Earl, born at Mercy Hospital at 7:45 a.m. on November 30, 2003. He weighed 8 lbs., 15.4 ozs. and was 21.75 inches long.

## GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

Grayling City Police Chief Karl A. Schreiner reports his department handled the following kinds of complaints during the period of February 1-8:

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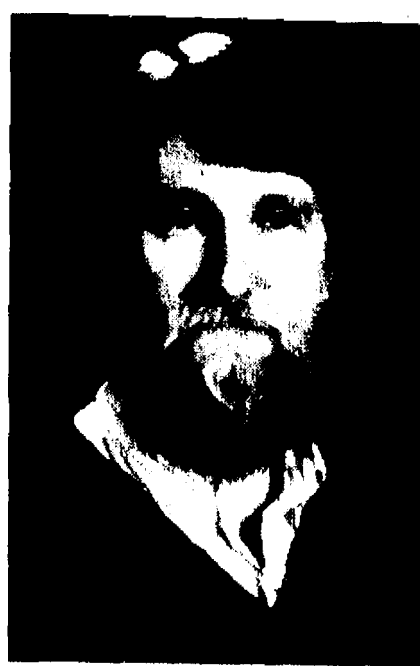
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## OBITUARIES



**Fred L. Niederer**

**Jan. 9, 1953 - Jan. 20, 2004**

Fred L. Niederer, age 51, formerly of Grayling, died unexpectedly January 20, 2004 at his home in Augusta, Maine.

He was born in Grayling on January 9, 1953, the son of Fred and Eden (Small) Niederer.

He graduated from Grayling High School in 1971 and from the Prairie Bible Institute in 1975. Also in 1975, he married Anita Isbell. Over 28 years of marriage, the couple had nine children.

Fred was a highly respected teacher in the Augusta school system, having worked in all of that area's schools as a substitute, but most notably as a special education teacher at Lincoln, Cony North, Cony and Hodgkins.

Fred loved to paint sea- and landscapes. He was also a wonderful musician and especially loved Bluegrass and Southern Gospel. He loved the outdoors, gardening, building and being with his family.

He is survived by his parents, Fred and Eden Niederer of Grayling; his wife, Anita Niederer of Augusta, ME, five sons, Fred (Cynthia) Niederer of Scottsdale, AZ, Hans Niederer, Jonathan Niederer, Josef Niederer and Joshua Niederer, all of Augusta, ME; four daughters, Juliette (Michael) Osborne, Heidi (Robert) Tavares, Suzanne Niederer and Mary Niederer, all of Augusta, ME; a sister, Lynnette Corlew of Grayling; two brothers, Philip Niederer of Roscommon, and David Niederer of Grayling; three grandchildren, Connor and Peter Tavares, and Gwendolyn Osborne; and several nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles.

A memorial service was held January 25 at Green Street United Methodist Church in Augusta, ME, with Glenn Metzler, pastor of the Kennebec Mennonite Church, officiating.

Those wishing may make memorial contributions to the Niederer Family Fund, c/o the Kennebec Mennonite Church, 187 Sewall Street, Augusta, ME 04330; or the Niederer Trust Fund at any Gardiner Savings Institution.

Arrangements by Knowlton and Hewins Funeral Home, Augusta, ME.

**Glima Catherine Jones**

**Dec. 19, 1920 - Feb. 6, 2004**

Glima Catherine Jones, age 83, of Grayling, formerly of Saginaw, died Friday, February 6, 2004.

Memorial service will be held at the family home.

Arrangements by: Christler Funeral Home, Houghton Lake.

**Louis A. Cote**

**Oct. 3, 1941 - Feb. 3, 2004**

Louis A. Cote, age 62, of Beaver Creek Township, died on February 3, 2004.

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**Sandra Elaine Boersma**

**Nov. 29, 1950 - Jan. 31, 2004**

Sandra Elaine Boersma, age 53, of Grayling, died January 31, 2004.

She was born Sandra Elaine Kelly on November 29, 1950 to David Kelly and Naomi (Mansfield) Michaescu in Grayling. She married Ron Boersma in 1972.

Sandra was a graduate of Grayling High School and, over the years, was employed by Grayling State Bank, Chemical Bank and the Grayling KMart store. She was also employed at banks in California.

She was a member of the Grayling Eagles Auxiliary, the Order of Eastern Star, and the Gold Wing Riders Association. Sandra enjoyed reading, music, motorcycle touring, and spending time with family and friends.

Sandra is survived by her mother, Naomi; stepfather, Nick Michaescu; daughter, Stephanie (Dave) Subu; son, Ron (Nicole) Boersma; brother, Bob; and sister, Kathy.

She is also survived by three grandchildren, Stephen, Grace and Abigail; two nieces, Shai and McKencie Kelly; and long-time companion and caregiver, Stan Ott.

She was preceded in death by her father, David.

Interment at Holy Dormition Monastery, Rives Junction; arrangements by John Santieu Funeral Home, Dearborn.

The family asks memorial donations be made in Sandra's name to the Orthodox Monastery of the Holy Dormition, 3389 Rives Eaton Road, Rives Junction, MI 49277, or to the American Cancer Society.

**Melvin L. Beach**

**Sept. 2, 1929 - Feb. 2, 2004**

Melvin L. Beach, age 74, of Grayling, died at Hilltop Manor on February 2, 2004.

He was born on September 2, 1929 to Arthur and Sarah (Pike) Beach in Moravia, IA. He married Charlene Silvers on October 20, 1951 in Oskaloosa, IA.

Melvin resided in Richmond for 26 years, moved to Deming, NM. In 1999 he returned to Michigan and resided in Grayling. He retired as a Power House Engineer from the Ford Motor Company in 1991.

He was an Ordained Minister and a member of the U.S. Navy Chaplain's Association. He will be remembered for his many different accomplishments in life.

Melvin is survived by his wife, Charlene; daughters: Sandy Beach of Grayling, and Kathy Danner of Higgins Lake. He is also survived by six grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and one sister, Eunice Olsen.

Arrangements by: Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

**Dorothy Ann Jones**

**May. 4, 1916 - Feb. 4, 2004**

Dorothy Ann Jones, age 87, of South Branch Township, died on February 4, 2004.

Funeral services were held on February 7, 2004 at Walsh Funeral Home.

Arrangements by: Walsh Funeral Home, Roscommon.

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**Mr. and Mrs. Timothy E. Zigila**

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A reception was held immediately after the ceremony at the Camp Grayling Officers' Club.

Tinelle is the daughter of Richard and Averill Packard of Sanford Lake. She is employed by the Crawford AuSable School District.

Tim is the son of Al and Jean Zigila, of Frederic, and is employed by the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Tim and Tinelle make their home in Grayling.

## SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 91 complaints the week of February 2-8:

One EMS response, 10 traffic accidents, two non-traffic accidents, two traffic violations (civil infraction), one parking violations, one traffic safety public appearance, one accident - all other, four civil matter disputes - family trouble, 10 suspicious situations, one lost and found property, one natural death, one instructional activities, 23 general non-criminal, three delinquent minors, one false alarm activation, four burglary/home invasion, two larceny, one fraudulent

activities, two damage to private property, one drug/narcotic violations, six public peace/disorderly, three health and safety, three miscellaneous criminal offense, seven driving violations/DWLS (driving while license suspended), etc.

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by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.  
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## BOWLING LEAGUE

**Recreation**  
Woody Girls ..... 19 - 5  
Chicken Little ..... 13 - 11  
Mickey Perez CPA ..... 13 - 11  
Glen's Market ..... 12 - 12  
Peterson Service ..... 12 - 12  
Gale Enterprises ..... 12 - 12  
Hawk Ridge Golf ..... 8 - 16  
Coldwell Banker ..... 7 - 17  
High Series: P. D'Amour, 545; D. Mead, 521; S. Johnson, 492.  
High Game: P. D'Amour, 205; M. Starks, 192; D. Mead, 189.

**Monday Night Pioneer**  
McDonald's ..... 22 - 6  
Custom Interior ..... 17 - 11  
Grayling Restaurant ..... 17 - 11  
Chemical Bank ..... 16.5 - 11.5  
Grayling Chiro.Clinic 13.5 - 14.5  
Rochette's ..... 12 - 16  
AJD Forest Product ..... 8 - 20

South Side River Rats .... 6 - 22  
High Series: M. Moshier, 517; L. Rutter, 513; L. Golnick, 491.  
High Game: L. Rutter, 201; M. Moshier, 192; T. Rock, 184.

**Friday Mixed Doubles**  
Calkins Excavating ..... 22 - 10  
Charlies Country Corner 16 - 16  
4 F.I. .... 16 - 16  
Moshier Auto Repair ..... 15 - 17  
Double Trouble ..... 14 - 18  
American Legion ..... 13 - 19  
Mens High Series: D. Canfield, 578; C. Hanson, 540; D. Wallace, 519. Mens High Game: D. Canfield, 206; R. Moshier, 204, C. Hanson, 190. Women High Series: K. Trudeau, 494; S. Johnson, 493; K. Moshier, 492.  
Women High Game: K. Moshier, 208, K. Trudeau, 188; S. France, D. Medina, 180.

**American Men's League**  
Scheer Motors ..... 31 - 11  
Eagles Club ..... 25 - 17  
Fenton's Auto Service ..... 23 - 19  
Moore's Automotive ..... 23 - 19  
GADCO ..... 20 - 22  
K-D's ..... 17 - 25  
McLeans ACE ..... 15 - 27  
Sawmill Tavern ..... 14 - 28  
High Series: J. Thayer, 663; L. Davis, 662; J. Arwood, 602. High Game: L. Davis, 267; J. Thayer, 235; J. Arwood, 225.

**Northwood League**  
Three Chicks ..... 24 - 16  
Hals Masonary ..... 20 - 20  
Bud Lite Chicks ..... 18 - 22  
Choppers Spares ..... 17 - 23  
Great Lakes Mortgage ... 09 - 31  
High Series: T. Benardo, 459; B. Lukima, 450; D. Harris, 440. High Game: P. Collen, 209; T. Benardo, 170; D. Harris, 169.

**Senior Bowling**  
Spikes Keg O'Nail ..... 58 - 30  
Flowers By Josie ..... 54 - 34  
Kicking Grass ..... 49.5 - 38.5  
Gray Rock ..... 46 - 42  
Grayling Pharmacy ..... 44 - 44  
Sylvesters Sports ..... 38.5 - 49.5  
Lone Pine Restaurant ... 32 - 56  
Bear's Den Pizza ..... 30 - 58  
Men's High Series: K. Harris, 572; P. Faustman, 540; Otto Brantley, 526. Men's High Game: O. Brantley, 224; K. Harris, 213; B. Hollis, 202. Women's High Series: D. Hollis, 468; C. Wyatt, 454; C. Clark, 450. Women's High Game: R. Gierke, 174; P. Harris, D. Hollis, 170.

## GRA WRESTLING

The Grayling Recreation Authority youth wrestling squad competed in a 16-team tournament at Swan Valley on Saturday, January 31.

Placements for the GRA team included:

1st - Zack Cheney (heavyweight), Daniel Duvall (71), Zach Wolcott (80), Steve Grove (95);

2nd - Thomas Barnes (46), Nick Petrie (58), Zach Mack (58), Jon Petrie (61), Zach Joseph (heavyweight), Cody Elmy (67), Austin Harris (110), Olivia Peters (110), Derek Babbitt (heavyweight), Shane Grove (119), Kyle Peters (heavyweight);

3rd - Logan Duvall (46), Kyle Schmidt (55), Ty Jensen (72), Ashten Linkhart (64), Joey Schwartz (80), Jacob Cochran (72), Ben Brown (100);

4th - Shayla Grove (119).

On February 7, the team competed in a meet at Clare.

Placements for Grayling included:

1st - Jonathan Martin (40), Zack Mack (58), Joey Schwartz (80);

2nd - Daniel Duvall (71), Zach Wolcott (80), Joey Contreras (135), Kyle Peters (heavyweight), Ben Brown (100);

3rd - Thomas Barnes (46), Nick Petrie (58), Zack Cheney (heavyweight), Michael Harmon (75), Shane Grove (119);

4th - Logan Duvall (46), Avery Bergman (71), Olivia Peters (110).

## MEN'S 30+ BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Scott McNamara Ford ... 4-0  
Spike's ..... 3-1  
HLM ..... 2-2  
Holiday Inn ..... 1-3  
Mercy Family Practice ... 0-4

HML 59- Junttila 19, Grant 13, Trenary 10, Dandy 7, Ruddy 6, Trudgeon 4.  
Holiday Inn 57- Mertes 29, Sanders 10, Delios 8, Weiler 5, Wagner 4, Dean 1.

Scott McNamara Ford 71- Ewalt 24, Patterson 19, Church Jr. 11, Menghenlni 10, Royce 4, Church Jr. 3.

Mercy Family Practice 37- Mires 11, Jansen 10, P. Shultz 5, V. Shultz 4, Carey 3, Jaskowski 2, Camp 2.

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Basketball 4B

## Grayling edges Rams 83-81

Vikings survive second half surges by Harbor Springs at GHS

Grayling High School's varsity boys basketball team held off a late surge from Harbor Springs to win last Friday's Lake Michigan Conference battle 83-81 at GHS.

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See "GRAYLING EDGES..."



Andy Strohpaal takes a jump shot for Grayling in Friday night's game.

## Four Vikings place 1st at Gladwin Fifth 100-win wrestler sets school record

**Rosecrans posts 100th career high school wrestling victory**

Grayling High School wrestlers won four first place medals and two second place

medals at Saturday's Gladwin Invitational.

The Vikings also set a Grayling High School record for most 100-victory wrestlers on one team on Saturday, following the 100th career high school wrestling win for Aaron Rosecrans (215).

This year's GHS wrestling team has five 100-win wrestlers: Rosecrans, Adam Malone (135), Dusty Partello (152), Darryl Babbitt (160), and Brandon Pratt (189). The five athletes have more than 600 high school wrestling victories between them.

At Gladwin, Grayling placements included:

1st - Joel Wilson (145), Partello (152), Babbitt (160), Pratt (189);

2nd - Malone (135), Rosecrans (215);

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See "FOUR VIKINGS..."

*100 Wins - Malone, Babbitt, Partello, Rosecrans, Pratt*



Photo by Caleb Casey

Grayling High School's 2003-04 wrestling team now has five 100-win wrestlers - a school record - on its roster: (left to right) Adam Malone, Darryl Babbitt, Dusty Partello, Aaron Rosecrans, Brandon Pratt.

## New head football coach selected

Interim coach Ben Brock chosen to be new head coach

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

The Grayling High School athletic department has named interim coach Ben Brock the new head football coach at GHS.

Brock, the defensive coordinator of last year's 8-3 GHS football team, replaces Jason Mensing, who recently resigned his position to accept the head coaching job at Owosso High School, a Class A school. Following Mensing's resignation, Brock was named the interim coach while the athletic department went through the process of selecting Mensing's official replacement.

Brock received the news last week, and said he was "pretty psyched" when he found out. "I'm excited to be working in Grayling as the head football coach and I hope to establish a program that'll be here for a long time," Brock said.

Brock was the defensive coordinator of last year's team, a squad that posted three shut-outs in nine regular season games and won a play-off game for the first time in school history. Before coming to Grayling, Brock was the defensive coordinator at Shepherd High School, where he says he learned the ropes under the guidance of two hall of fame coaches. "They taught me the right way to run a program," Brock said.

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See "NEW HEAD..."

► Five GHS powerlifters qualify for Nationals...Page 2B

## Powerlifters win 12 medals at Newaygo



Grayling High School's powerlifting team won 12 individual medals and three team trophies at a recent meet in Newaygo. For more on the powerlifting team's finish at Newaygo, see Page 2B. GHS powerlifters at Newaygo: (front, left to right) Mike Sanford, Luke Southard, Jon Parker, Dan Snider; (second row, left to right) Amanda Moran, Jesse Blankenship, Ryan Feutz, Mavrick Ginther, Matthias Shafer; (third row, left to right) Katie Sanford, June Clark, Matt Larson, J.B. Quintano; (back, left to right) Andrea Southard, Josh Morgan, Josh Parker.

## GHS volleyball teams win two of three

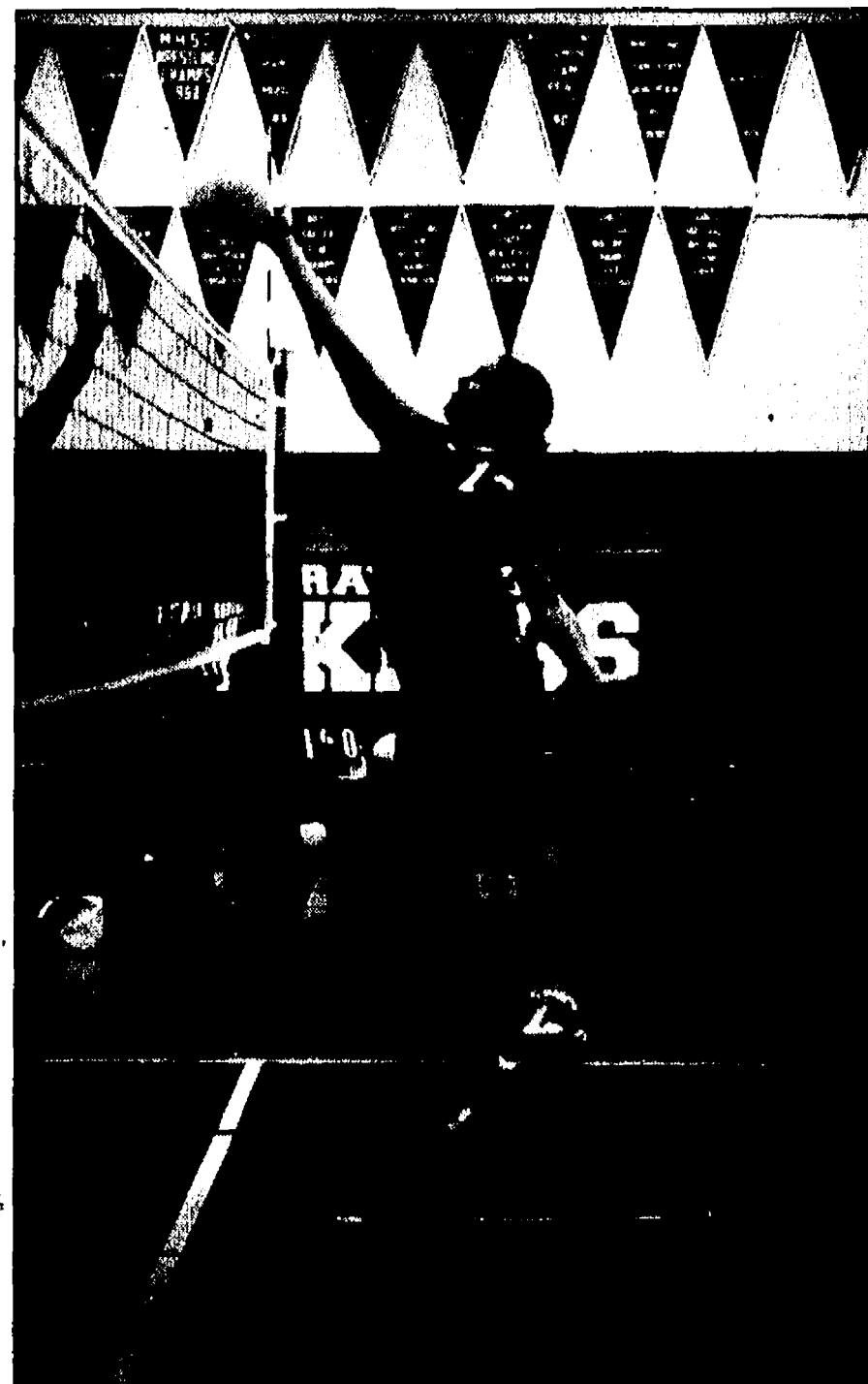


Photo by Caleb Casey

Ashley Hawley tips a ball at the net for Grayling's varsity team in last week's volleyball tripleheader at GHS. The Vikings won the varsity and JV matches 2-0. For more, see Page 5B.



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## Powerlifters win 12 medals at Newaygo

### Twelve of Grayling's 16 lifters place in top three

Twelve out of sixteen Grayling High School powerlifters competing in a recent meet at Newaygo earned medals at the event.

The meet, the Newaygo High School Invitational held January 31, was sanctioned by the Michigan High School Powerlifting Association (MHSPLA). The MHSPLA is organized by the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association and sanctions high school powerlifting meets throughout the state.

At Newaygo, Grayling posted six first place finishes, three second place finishes, and three third place finishes. The combined lifts of six Grayling competitors topped 1,000 pounds and several lifters set new personal bests. As a team, Grayling took second in the women's competition, second in JV, and third in varsity.

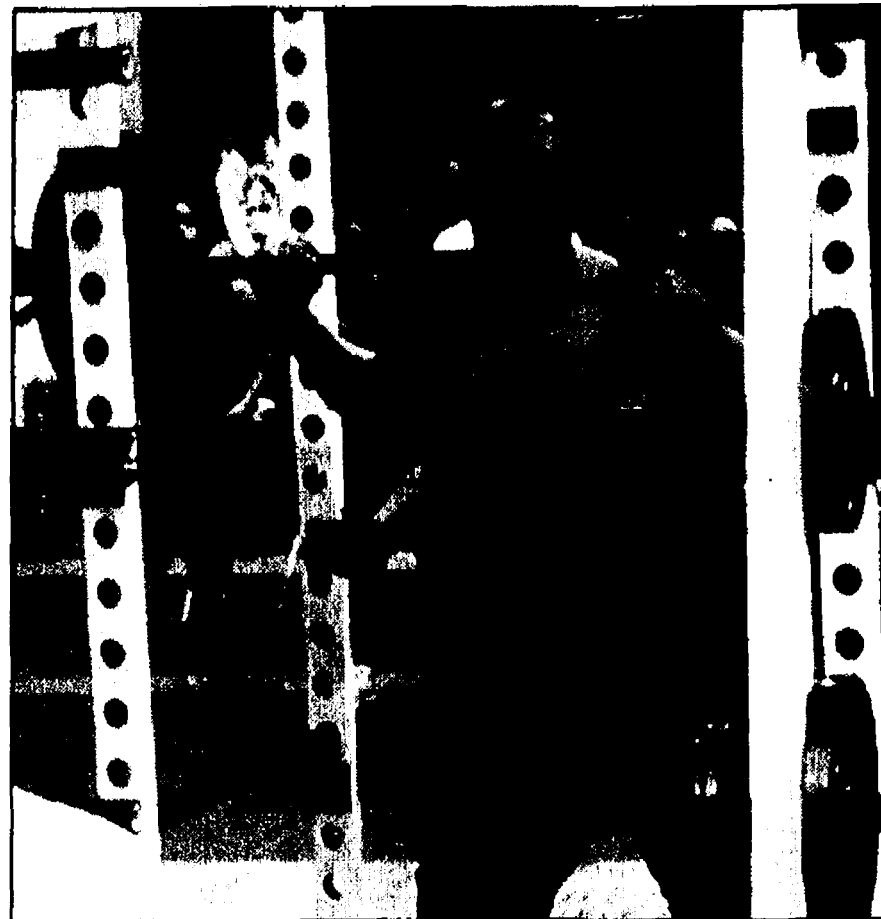
In the women's division,

sophomore Andrea Southard placed first in the 165-pound weight class with a total lift of 610 pounds. June Clark finished third in the 132-pound division with a total lift of 470 pounds. Katie Sanford took third in the 148-pound weight class with a total of 420 pounds.

In junior varsity competition, Matt Larson took first place in the 242-pound weight class with a total lift of 1,065 pounds and Mike Sanford took first in the 207-pound division with a 920-pound lift total. Josh Parker finished second in the 275-pound weight class with 1,080 pounds. Josh Morgan took third in the 194-pound weight class with a total of 725.

In varsity action, Lucas Southard led the way with a total of 1,365 pounds. He won the 220-pound weight class and posted a personal best of 575 in the deadlift. Jon Parker set personal bests of 500 pounds in both the squat and deadlift en route to a 1,330-pound total and a first place finish in the 207-pound weight class.

Matthias Shafer took first in the 155-pound division with 905



**Matt Larson competes in the squat lift portion at the Newaygo meet. Larson finished first in the JV 242-pound weight class with a total of 1,065 pounds.**

pounds. Dan Snider placed second in the 194-pound division with a 1,165 pound total, and J.B. Quintano posted a total of 1,150 pounds to take second in the 242-pound weight class.

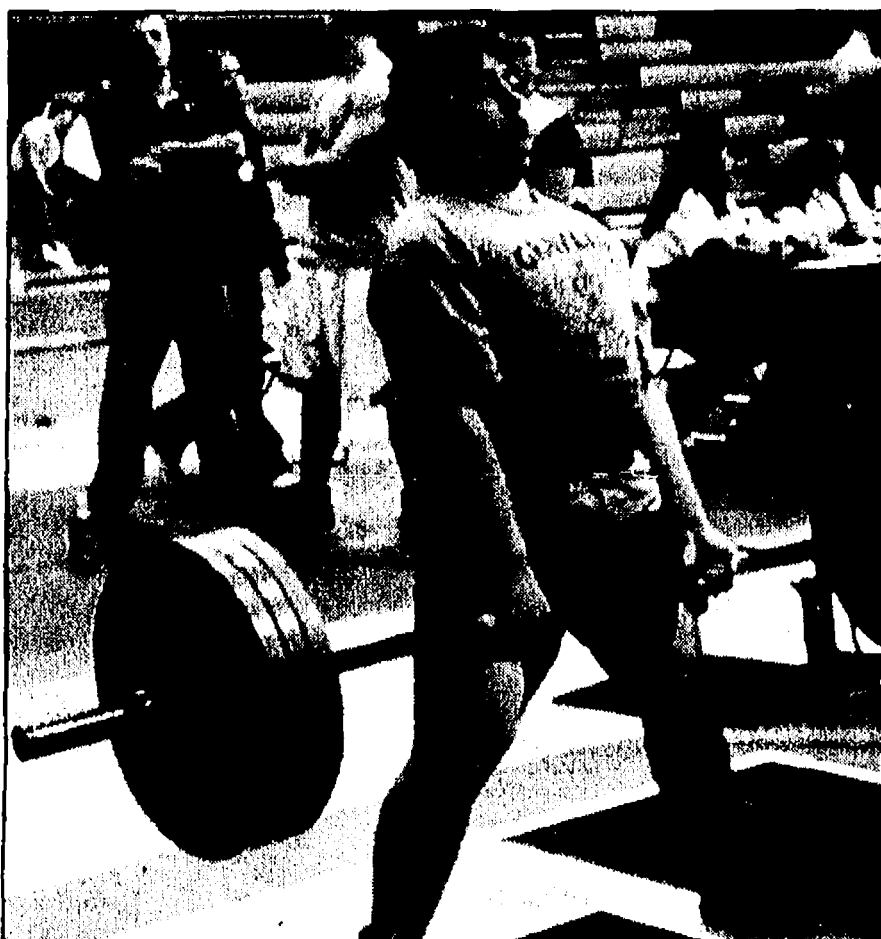
The GHS powerlifting team is a club sport (not an official varsity program). More than 25 men

and women from Grayling High School have competed in several powerlifting meets so far this season, and won dozens of medals. The group has also won several club-team trophies.

The team's next meet will be held at Kingsley High School on Saturday, February 14, at 10 a.m.



**Luke Southard and Andrea Southard (brother and sister) both took first place for Grayling at the Newaygo Invitational Meet on January 31. Luke won the 220-pound weight class with a total of 1,365 pounds and Andrea won the women's 165-pound division with a 610-pound total.**



**Mike Sanford deadlifts at Newaygo. Sanford took first in the JV 207-pound weight class with a 920-pound total.**

## Five powerlifters qualify for Nationals

Five members of the GHS powerlifting club team - Matt

Larson, Andrea Southard, Jon Parker, Luke Southard, and Dan Snider - qualified to compete in USA Powerlifting (USAPL) national competitions with their finishes at the USAPL-sanctioned meet at Plainwell High School on February 7.

USAPL is the leading powerlifting organization in the U.S. and a member of the International Powerlifting Federation - the governing body of powerlifting internationally. USAPL sanctions meets throughout Michigan. National Championships in all age groups and top competitors are selected by USAPL to compete in seven world championships plus the World Games. USAPL promotes and enforces drug-free powerlifting. Ten percent of competitors at USAPL meets are randomly drug tested at the conclusion of the competitions.

Powerlifting is comprised of three lifts: the squat, bench press, and deadlift. Athletes are categorized by sex, age, and body weight. Each competitor is allowed three attempts at each lift and the best lift in each event is added to the lifter's total. Each competitor must have at least one successful lift in each of the three events to qualify as an official finisher. The lifter with the highest total is the winner. In cases



**At the February 7 Plainwell meet, five Grayling powerlifters won medals and qualified to compete at the USAPL Nationals: (front, left to right) Andrea Southard, Jon Parker; (back, left to right) Dan Snider, Luke Southard, Matt Larson, Coach Steve Southard.**

where two or more lifters achieve the same total, the person with the lowest body weight wins.

At Plainwell, all five Grayling lifters who competed won medals and qualified for national competitions.

Two Grayling lifters set new USAPL state records for their age and weight classes: Matt Larson took first place and established a new state record three-lift total of 1,080 pounds for the

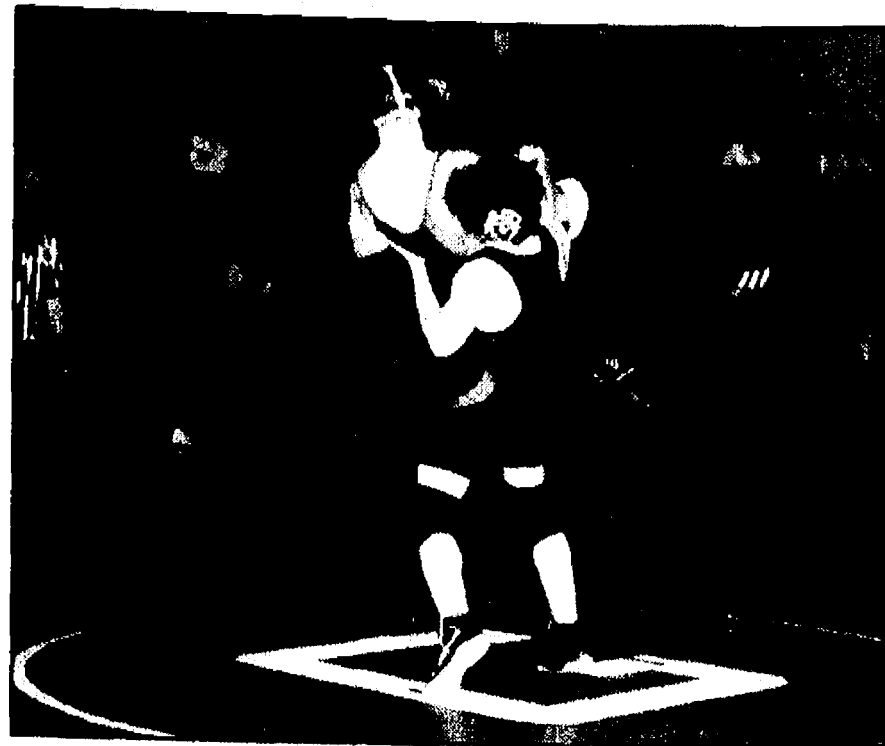
14-15 year old 242-pound weight division, and Andrea Southard took first place in the women's 14-15 year old 165-pound weight class and established a new state record deadlift with a successful 270-pound attempt.

Jon Parker took first in the 16-17 year old 220-pound division. Luke Southard took first in both the 18-19 year old and open 220-pound divisions. Dan Snider took second in the 16-17 year old 198-pound division.

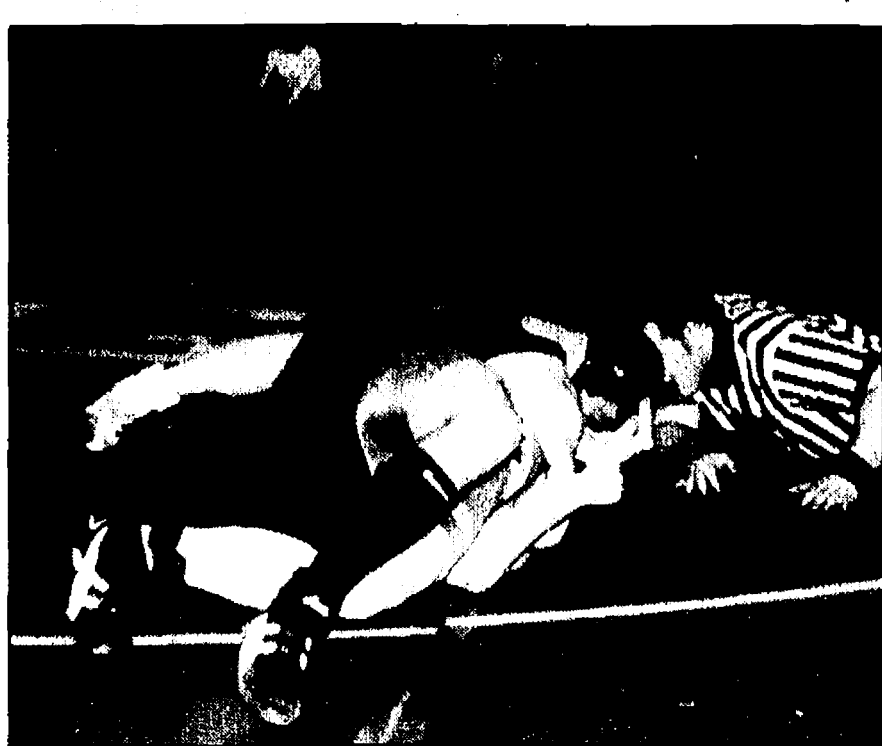
All five lifters have qualified to compete at the USAPL High School Nationals in Racine, Wisconsin March 18-21 and/or the USAPL Teen-Junior Nationals in Lincoln, Nebraska June 12-13. Most or all of the five are expected to compete in the March event in Wisconsin, coaches said.

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Joel Wilson lifts a Gladwin opponent at the Gladwin Invitational meet on Saturday.



Don Starks grapples with an Ogemaw wrestler on Saturday.

## Four Vikings place 1st at Gladwin

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4th - Corey Metzger (125), Jeff Bancroft (130), Doug Webb (140), Don Starks (171).

In JV matches, Mike Gassman (171) and Joe Ferrigan (heavyweight) took 1st, James Walker

and Troy Wilson finished 2nd, and Jesse CdeBaca placed 4th.

On Thursday, the Vikings defeated Cheboygan 59-18 in a meet at Gaylord.

Winners for GHS included: Cody Verlinde (112), Metzger

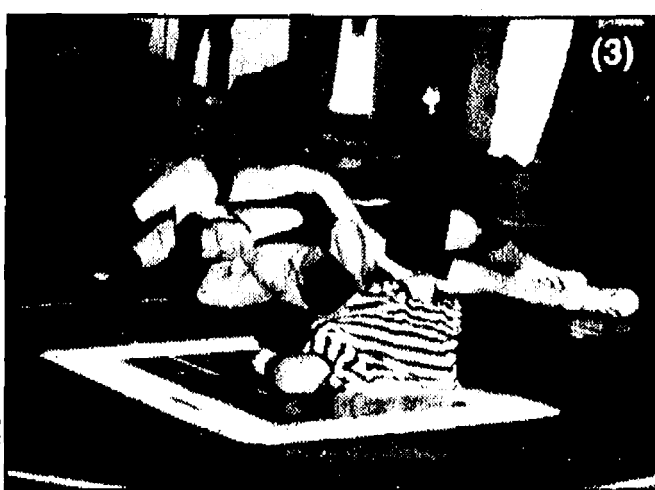
(125), Bancroft (130), Malone (135), Webb (140), Joel Wilson (145), Babbitt (160), Pratt (189), Rosecrans (215), and Ferrigan (heavyweight).

On Thursday, February 12, the Vikings will host Onaway and

Mio at Grayling Middle School. The meet will include Parents Night at 5:45 p.m. The meet starts at 6 p.m.



GHS wrestlers compete at the Gladwin Invitational on Saturday: 1) Darryl Babbitt; 2) Adam Malone; 3) Brandon Pratt; 4) Aaron Rosecrans.



## Vikings ski in second league meet

The GHS ski team competed in a league meet at Boyne Mt. on Thursday, February 5, and raced against eight area teams at the Manistee Invitational at Crystal Mt. on Monday, February 2.

In the Manistee Invitational, the boys competition was won by Mt. Pleasant, followed by Charlevoix/East Jordan, Grayling, Onekama, Manistee, Benzie, Traverse City St. Francis, Clare, and Harrison.

"We had two of our top five skiers crash in slalom and that took us out of the team championship contention," Coach Mike Wieland said.

Top skier for Grayling was Trevor Clough, who finished 2nd in slalom and 7th in giant slalom (GS). Jim Jansen placed 13th in slalom and 15th in GS. Pat McNally took 14th and 16th.

Andrew Hart, a freshman, placed 31st in slalom for the team's fourth finish. "He did it with all of his teammates and coaches putting the pressure on him to go fast but don't fall," Coach Wieland said. "That is the burden for the #6 skier on a team."

Hart also placed 34th in GS. Jon Handy and Adam Gilbert both fell in giant slalom, placing 23rd and 27th, and both disqualified in slalom.

In the girls competition, Grayling finished 7th in slalom and 9th in GS and 7th overall.

"The girls team had one of those unexplainable days where everyone took turns skiing well and badly in the same ski races," Coach Wieland said.

The top skier for the Vikings was Heather Vandecar, who took 16th in slalom and 9th in GS. Mallory Olson placed 15th in slalom and 29th in GS, Kassie McClain was 31st in both events, Erica Moggo finished 33rd in slalom and 47th in GS, and Katie Baynham was 45th and 43rd.

"Crystal is where we will race in the MHSAA Regional on February 12 and we hope to work out some of the problems

we had before then," Coach Wieland said.

Boyne Mt. was the site of the second Lake Michigan Conference Meet on Thursday, February 5. "The teams finished just about the way the state coaches poll had them ranked," Coach Wieland said.

The girls competition was won by #1 ranked Harbor Springs, followed by #2 ranked Traverse City St. Francis, Boyne, Charlevoix/East Jordan, Grayling, and Elk Rapids.

In the boys competition, it was Harbor Springs, Boyne, Charlevoix/East Jordan, Grayling, Traverse City St. Francis, and Elk Rapids.

"Last year's all-state BCD ski teams were made up with over 33 percent coming out of this league and most of them returned," Coach Wieland said. "It's a great competition for our skiers."

Placements for Grayling included: (girls) Baynham, 16th

in slalom and 12th in GS; Vandecar, 17th and 13th; McClain, 22nd in both events; Moggo, 21st in slalom and 23rd in GS. "Mallory Olson had a night we would all hope doesn't repeat its self. Mallory had spectacular falls in both events, drawing a lot of oh's and ah's as she fell and then got up and skied away. These are the times as a coach you're happy we have a strength and conditioning program at school," Coach Wieland said.

Placements for Grayling included: (boys) Clough, 7th in slalom and 9th in GS; Gilbert, 21st in slalom and 19th in GS; Jansen, 20th and 21st; Handy, 17th in slalom and 35th in GS (after a fall); Hart, 27th and 28th; McNally, 19th in GS and DQ in slalom.

The Vikings will ski in the MHSAA Regional Meet at Crystal Mt. on February 12.

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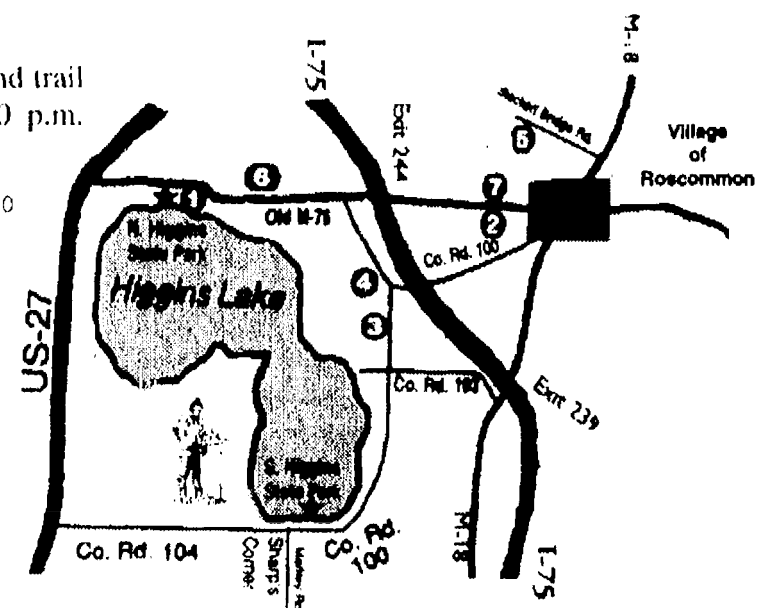
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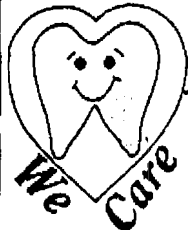
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# Grayling edges Rams 83-81

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The Vikings led the Rams 71-60 going into the fourth quarter (after the Rams had briefly taken the lead at one point in the third period), but Harbor Springs chipped away at Grayling's advantage and made a game of it.

With 1:26 left in regulation, the Rams pulled within two. Harbor Springs got the ball back and tied the game at 81-81 with a pair of free throws. Grayling answered with a drive by Josh Hinkle to put the Vikings back up by two with just under a minute left in the game.

Joe Lange came up with a steal for Grayling. The Vikings moved down the court and Harbor Springs fouled. Grayling missed the resulting free throw. Harbor Springs had the ball and 34 seconds to do something with it.

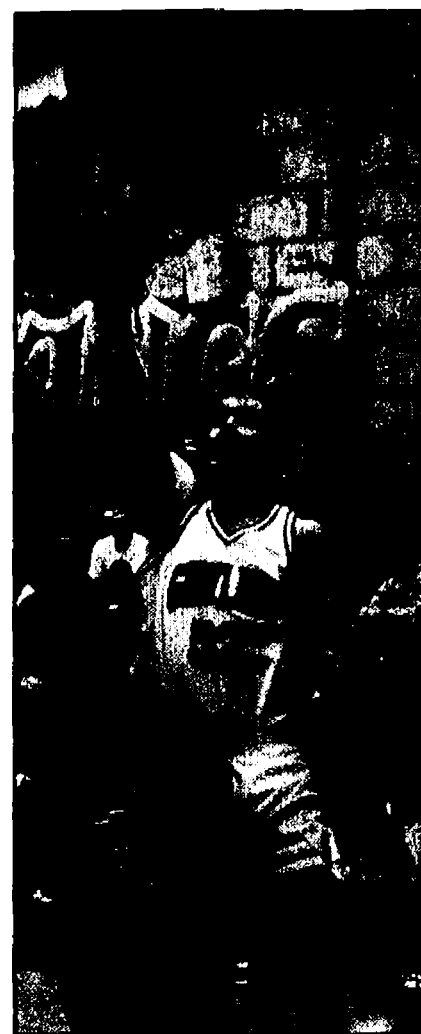
The Rams got the ball in bounds, shot, missed, shot again, missed again, and time expired. Grayling held on for the 83-81 league win.

Leading scorers for Grayling were Gibson Tobin with 30 points, Bobby Starks with 15, Roy Czapek with 13, and Lange with 11.

"We played very well for three-and-a-half quarters. Our defensive intensity was good and we did a lot of nice things at both ends of the court. A definite improvement from Tuesday's game. We need to continue to get better so that we are a factor at the end of the season," Coach Rich Moffit said.

On Friday, February 20, the Vikings will host Boyne City. The evening will be "Butch Hayes Night" and will include a ceremony (prior to the varsity contest) honoring the longtime GHS basketball coach. Hayes is retiring after 31 years of coaching.

All former students, players, and coaches are encouraged to attend. A reception for Coach Hayes will be held after the game.



Bobby Starks shoots for Grayling vs. the Rams.



Joe Lange handles the ball for the Vikings.

# JV team wins at Elk Rapids

## Vikings fall to Harbor Springs Rams in overtime on Friday

In games last week, the GHS junior varsity boys basketball team won at Elk Rapids on Tuesday but lost an overtime contest vs. Harbor Springs on Friday by one point.

On Tuesday, Grayling won 76-65 at Elk Rapids. Grayling posted quarter scores of 19-17-18-20 to the Elks' 16-15-8-26.

"Once again we played very consistent. We got into early foul trouble but worked around it. The kids put together a great team effort," Coach Butch Hayes said.

Zac Baker and Reagan Schmidt scored 19 points each at Elk Rapids. Ron Johnston added 10 points. Eli VanNuck, Zach Dean, Mike Boylan, Jim Boylan, Zeke Hayes, and Ryan Feldhauser also scored points for GHS in the contest.

On Friday, the visiting Harbor Springs Rams overcame a 34-20 halftime deficit to send the game into overtime. The Rams outscored Grayling 21-9 in the third quarter to pull within four going into the fourth period.

GHS opened the fourth quarter

with a triple by Schmidt. Harbor Springs answered with a shot inside. A three-pointer by VanNuck put Grayling up 51-43. A 6-0 run by Harbor Springs pulled the Rams within two with 4:20 left in regulation. A triple by Baker put Grayling up by five. The Rams scored a three-pointer to pull back within two.

A put-back by Dean put the Vikings up by four. A jumper by Harbor Springs cut Grayling's lead back to two, 56-54, with 2:26 left in regulation.

Grayling killed time off the clock. Harbor Springs came up with a steal and scored a three-pointer with 21 seconds left in the fourth quarter to take a one-point lead, 57-56.

Grayling got the ball in and Baker was fouled on a drive to the basket. He missed the first free throw but hit the second one to tie the game at 57-57 with six seconds remaining.

Baker stole the ball on the in-bounds play and Harbor Springs fouled. Grayling missed both free throws. The Rams fired a half-court shot that missed, and the game went into overtime.

Harbor Springs scored the first five points of overtime. Put-backs by Jim Boylan and Baker pulled Grayling within one. A



Eli VanNuck goes up for a shot in traffic.



Mike Boylan takes an inside shot for GHS.

lay-up by Harbor Springs put the Rams up by three.

A drive by VanNuck brought GHS back within one with 1:12 left in OT.

Neither team was able to score

again, and Harbor Springs won by a final score of 64-63.

The Vikings play at Traverse City St. Francis on Friday, February 13.

## 9th graders fall to Rams



(Left) Hank Abney goes up for a lay-up in last Friday's Grayling vs. Harbor Springs freshman basketball game. (Right) Jeremiah Bootz shoots from near the basket. The Rams won the game 61-37.



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# GHS volleyball teams win two of three

## Varsity and JV squads win three game sets vs. East Jordan at GHS

Grayling High School won two out of three volleyball contests last Monday at GHS against the visiting Red Devils of East Jordan.

Grayling's varsity squad defeated the East Jordan varsity team 15-5, 15-5 to win a three-game set 2-0.

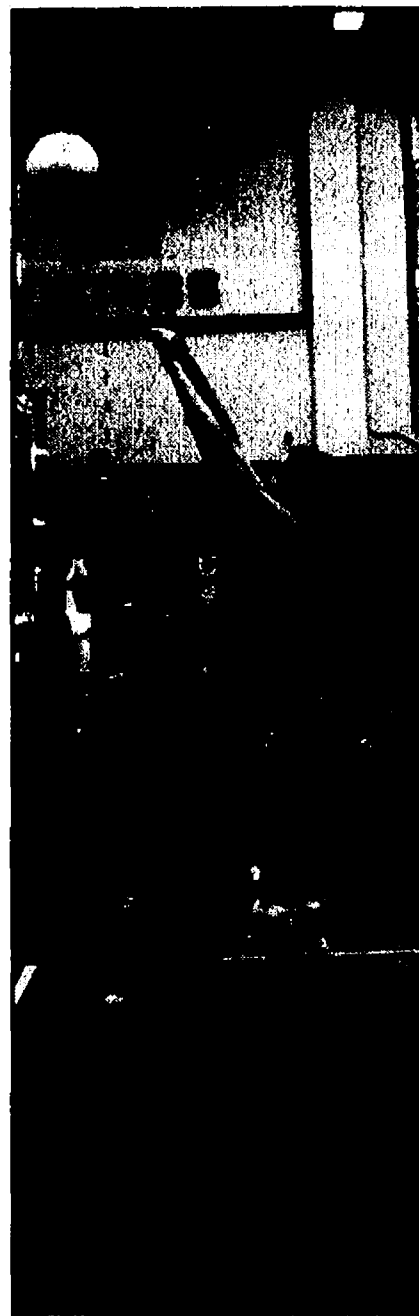
The JV Vikings also won their series 2-0 with scores of 15-8, 15-5. East Jordan won the freshman series 2-0.

The three GHS volleyball teams will host Kalkaska on Thursday, February 12, at 6 p.m.



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Tegila Reynolds handles a serve in the JV match at GHS last week.



Abby Wheeler hits a ball at the net in last Monday's freshman volleyball contest.



Jodi Riddle sets in the varsity series.

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## New head football coach selected

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"I think we're fortunate to have Ben as our head coach," Athletic Director Brian Banda said. "The kids know the system, they know him, and we're looking forward to a great season."

Brock teaches physical education and strength and conditioning at GHS. He said he admires the work ethic of Grayling ath-

letes, and right now off-season weight training is the team's focus.

"(The football players) are in the weight room now, ready and focused for next season. They are lifting during class or after school," Brock said. "We'd like to build to a point where we're pushing teams around and not getting manhandled."

"What I love about this area is that the kids come to work, whether it's PE class or on the football field," Brock said.

Banda said the three assistant football coaching spots will be posted soon.

"I am going to try to put together the best staff possible for these kids, to help them perform at their best," Brock said.

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### Men's Standings

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|-----------------------|-----|
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| Sawmill Fun           | .40 |
| Sawmill Table Runners | .38 |
| Riverside             | .23 |
| Plaza                 | .39 |
| Ole Barn              | .53 |
| Frederic Inn          | .49 |

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|                                    |      |
|------------------------------------|------|
| Sawmill Last Minute Men            | .44  |
| 8 Ball Runs: Ray (Sawmill Fun)     |      |
| 8 On The Break: Andy (Sawmill Fun) |      |
| Frederic Inn                       | .133 |

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| Gray Rock                                                                                     | .109 |
| Legion                                                                                        | .101 |
| Plaza                                                                                         | .133 |
| Sawmill I                                                                                     | .87  |
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## 2004 SPRING SOCCER REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION DATES: (quick in person registration only; no drop offs/mail ins)

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 3:00-4:00pm @ the Primary School Library  
6:00-8:00pm @ the Elementary School Gym

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February 3:00-4:00pm @ the Primary School Library  
6:00-8:00pm @ the Elementary School Gym

FINAL REGISTRATION:

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February 9:00-11:00am @ the Grayling City Hall

Registration forms available for pick up **only** @ the Medicine Shoppe & City Hall

- Copy of Birth Certificate must accompany registration unless submitted in 2003
- Jersey sizes run small - recommend ordering one size larger for layering
- Shorts size only needed for players registering for travel league

REGISTRATION COSTS: \$25.00/child or \$75.00/family maximum  
Make checks payable to C.A.S.A. (or, Crawford AuSable Soccer Association)

SOCCER SEASON DATES: April 24<sup>th</sup> - June 5<sup>th</sup> (Memorial Wkend off)

- Games to be played on Saturday mornings @ Hanson Hills
- Practices TBD by coaches - typically after school or pm once a week
- Practices scheduled to begin the week of April 12<sup>th</sup>
- Travel League practices & season may begin earlier

PARENTS' OPEN HOUSE:

Tues. 30<sup>th</sup> March 6:30-7:30pm @ the Elementary School Gym

- Team Assignments Posted
- Season Calendar & Parent Handbook available for pick up
- Information Booth & Board Members available to answer questions

TEAM ROSTERS posted on March 31<sup>st</sup>

@ the Elementary School entrance & the Medicine Shoppe windows

MANDATORY COACHES SOCCER ORIENTATION & TRAINING

Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March 5:00 - 9:30pm @ Middle School Gym

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- Coaches' training provided by Challenger Sports Training Camp
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may be paid by the mortgagee to protect its interest in the premises.

The premises are described as follows:

East 1/2 of Lots 5 and 6, Block 22, of ORIGINAL PLAT OF THE VILLAGE (NOW CITY) OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 02, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be thirty (30) days from the date of the sale.

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Sandra L. Jasinski (P37430)  
Debt Collector for First National Bank of Gaylord  
229 Court Street, P.O. Box 405  
Cheboygan, MI 49721  
(231) 627-4351

Dated: February 2, 2003

-12-19-26-4-11

Legals continue on page 8B

## GRAYLING CITY/TWP. FIRE DEPARTMENT SEEKS APPLICANTS

The Grayling City/Twp. Fire Department will be accepting applications from persons wishing to serve as paid, on-call fireman or firewoman. These are entry level positions. Successful candidates will have to meet the following requirements:

1. At least 18-years old and not in high school
2. A resident of the City of Grayling or Grayling Township.
3. Able to pass a physical exam and a background investigation.
4. Possess a valid Michigan driver's license.
5. Able to attend up to 125-hours of instruction in the first year of service in order to attain fire fighters certification.
6. Able to attend weekly, Monday night fire meetings

Persons interested in one of these positions must fill out a pre-employment application, available at the fire station. Interviews for two positions will be conducted on the evening of Tuesday, February 24, 2004, in the fire station.

The Grayling City/Twp. Fire Department is located on South James Street, next to the Michigan State Police Forensic Lab. The Grayling City/Twp. Fire Department, as a subsidiary of the City of Grayling and Grayling Township, is an equal opportunity employer.

Terry R. Wright, Chairman  
Grayling City/Twp. Fire Committee

**CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING NOTICE CHANGE**  
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THE CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HAS RESCHEDULED THE FEBRUARY REGULAR BOARD MEETING FROM WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2004 TO TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2004 AT 9:30 A.M.

Sandra Moore  
County Clerk/Register of Deeds  
February 9, 2004

## NOTICE BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

The Beaver Creek Township Board of Review will hold an organizational meeting March 2, 2004 at 1:00 p.m. at the Beaver Creek Township Hall for the purpose of reviewing the 2004 Assessment Roll. The Board of Review will meet with taxpayers Monday, March 8, 2004, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Thursday, March 11, 2004, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., at the Beaver Creek Township Hall, 8888 S. Grayling Rd., Grayling.

The following are tentative ratios and factors for all classes of property in Beaver Creek Township:


| CLASS        | TENTATIVE RATIO | TENTATIVE FACTOR |
|--------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Agricultural | 61.88           | .8079            |
| Commercial   | 49.51           | 1.0000           |
| Industrial   | 50.00           | 1.0000           |
| Residential  | 45.38           | 1.1018           |

Lee Riley  
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### Friday, February 13th

**6:00p.m.- 9:00p.m.** Kick off Party at the Ole Barn; food and drink specials, Family Karaoke and Kids Karaoke Contest.

### Saturday, February 14th

**10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.** - "Big Air" ski and snowboard competition at Hanson Hills. Registration Cost \$10. (All competitors must wear helmet. Practice begins at 12:00 p.m. for competitors only.)


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# WINTER FUN DAYS

## Schedule Events

### Sunday, February 15th

**11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.** "Cardboard BOX SLED RACE" registration. No fee for entry, all sleds must be made prior to registration. See official rules for participation.

**12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.** "CHILI COOK OFF" at Hanson Hills Recreation area, sponsored by the American Legion Post 106.

**1:00 p.m.** "Cardboard BOX SLED RACE"

**Big Air Competition** \$10, All participants must wear a helmet, 2 categories Ski/Snowboard.

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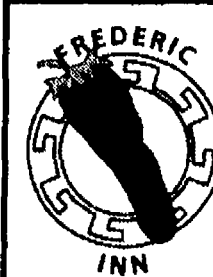
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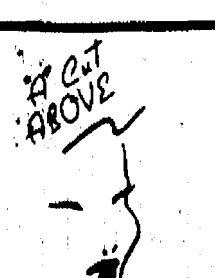
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
46TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
ORDER FOR SERVICE BY  
PUBLICATION/POSTING  
AND NOTICE OF ACTION**

200 WEST MICHIGAN AVENUE  
GRAYLING, MICHIGAN 49738  
989-348-2841

Case No. 03-6184 CH  
Warbler's Hideaway Association  
David R. Sabla (P19822)  
Attorney for Plaintiffs  
115 Michigan Avenue  
Grayling, MI 49738  
989-348-5588

v  
Allen and Dawn Bastien, Vivian C.  
Buckley, Joey Harrell, Glen C. Mast,  
Joe McKean, Karen Rasey, F. Allen  
Schmidlapp, Raymond Wise, Thomas  
Wilbrodt

TO: All Defendants  
IT IS ORDERED:

1. You are being sued by plaintiff in  
this court to foreclose liens against your  
real estate by plaintiff for dues, assess-  
ments and reimbursement of taxes paid by  
Plaintiff. You must file your answer or  
take other action permitted by law in this  
court at the court address above on or  
before February 25, 2004. If you fail to  
do so, a default judgment may be entered  
against you for the relief demanded in the  
complaint filed in this case.

Dated: January 21, 2004  
Judge Honorable Alton T. Davis  
(P24472).

-29-5-12

**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF CRAWFORD  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

**Decedent's Estate**

File No. 03-6735 DA  
Estate of Carole Krohn, deceased  
Date of birth: 9/21/23

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS:**

The decedent, Carole Krohn, who lived  
at Greenwood Township, Lewiston,  
Michigan died October 28, 2003.

Creditors of the decedent are notified  
that all claims against the estate will be  
forever barred unless presented to Shirley  
Lewis, 7259 W. Otsego Lake Dr.,  
Gaylord, MI 49735, named personal repre-  
sentative or proposed personal repre-  
sentative, or to both the probate court at  
200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling, MI  
49738 and the named/proposed personal  
representative within 4 months after the  
date of publication of this notice.

Date: February 03, 2004  
Eugene Petruska 29529  
P.O. Box 540  
Gaylord, MI 49734  
989-732-2491

Shirley Lewis  
7259 W. Otsego Lake Drive

**Crawford County Board of Commissioners  
meeting minutes are now available on the  
county website: [www.crawfordco.org](http://www.crawfordco.org) eight  
days following the scheduled board meeting  
or may be obtained at the County Clerk's  
office for six (6) cents per page.**

**Sandra Moore  
County Clerk/Register of Deeds  
October 11, 2002**

**NOTICE OF ZONING ORDINANCE  
AMENDMENT'S  
EFFECTIVE DATE – MARCH 5, 2004**

FOR QUESTIONS OR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE  
CONTACT FREDERIC TOWNSHIP ZONING DEPT  
P.O. BOX 78  
FREDERIC, MI 49733  
(989) 348-8840

**SECTION 20.1 (M) 4**

Mobile homes shall be no older than seven (7) years of age upon the year  
applicant applies for permit and have a minimum HUD roof/unit seal for the  
appropriate Michigan Zone or greater as identified in the current Michigan  
International Building Code.

Douglas J. Pratt  
Frederic Township  
Zoning Administrator

**TAXPAYERS OF FREDERIC  
TOWNSHIP**

The FREDERIC TOWNSHIP Board of Review will meet for its  
organizational meeting of March 2, 2004 at 9:00 a.m.

The Board of Review will meet with the petitioners of the follow-  
ing dates:

March 10, 2004 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. and at 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

March 13, 2004 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and at 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

All meetings will be held at the FREDERIC TOWNSHIP Hall,  
7564 County Rd. 612. The purpose of these meetings will be  
to hear petitioners who wish to appeal their assessments, clas-  
sifications and to answer questions pertaining to the tax roll.

| Classification  | Factor | Ratio  |
|-----------------|--------|--------|
| Agricultural    | 50.00  | 1.0000 |
| Residential     | 50.00  | 1.0000 |
| Commercial      | 50.00  | 1.0000 |
| Industrial      | 50.00  | 1.0000 |
| Timber/Cut Over | 50.00  | 1.0000 |
| Personal        | 50.00  | 1.0000 |

William T. Johnson  
Frederic Township Supervisor

Gaylord, MI 49735  
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF CRAWFORD  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

**Decedent's Estate**

File No. 03-6605 DA  
Estate of Norma Hogle, deceased  
Date of birth: 6/28/18

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS:**

The decedent, Norma Hogle, who lived  
at 331 Meadows, Grayling, Michigan  
died February 17, 2003.

Creditors of the decedent are notified  
that all claims against the estate will be  
forever barred unless presented to Susan  
Anderson, 6157 Secor, Traverse City, MI,  
named personal representative or pro-  
posed personal representative, or to both  
the probate court at Crawford Probate  
Court 200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling,  
MI 49738 and the named/proposed per-  
sonal representative within 4 months after  
the date of publication of this notice.

Date: February 04, 2004  
Eugene Petruska 29529  
P.O. Box 540  
Gaylord, MI 49734  
989-732-2491

Susan Anderson  
6157 Secor  
Traverse City, MI 49684  
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**Notice Of  
Mortgage  
Foreclosure Sale**

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may  
be rescinded by the foreclosing mort-  
gagee. In that event, your damages, if any,  
shall be limited solely to the return of the  
bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has  
been made in the conditions of a mort-  
gage made by David Bisel, a single man,  
original mortgagor(s), to Chase  
Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, a New  
Jersey Corporation, Mortgagee, dated  
November 15, 2002, and recorded on  
November 21, 2002 in Liber 608 on Page  
478, in Crawford county records,  
Michigan, on which mortgage there is  
claimed to be due at the date hereof the  
sum of Forty-Five Thousand Eight  
Hundred Eighty-Two And 06/100 Dollars  
(\$45,882.06), including interest at 6.5%  
per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in  
said mortgage and the statute in such case  
made and provided, notice is hereby given

that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a  
sale of the mortgaged premises, or some  
part of them, at public vendue, at the  
Front door of the County building in  
Grayling at 10:00 AM, on February 25,  
2004.

Said premises are situated in Township  
of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan,  
and are described as: All that part of the  
East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the East 1/2 of  
the of the East 1/2 Northwest 1/4 of the  
Southwest 1/4, lying South M-72, Section  
15, Town 26 North, Range 2 West.

The redemption period shall be 6  
months from the date of such sale, unless  
determined abandoned in accordance  
with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the  
redemption period shall be 30 days from  
the date of such sale.

Dated: January 22, 2004

For more information, please call:

FC S 248.593.1304

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Chase Manhattan  
Mortgage Corporation, a New Jersey  
Corporation

30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200

Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-  
5822

File #010666F01

-22-29-5-12

**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
PROBATE COURT  
COUNTY OF CRAWFORD  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

**Decedent's Estate**

File No. 04-6751 DE

Estate of Ilene Hatfield, deceased

Date of birth: 9/22/1930

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS:**

The decedent, Ilene Hatfield, who  
lived at 1006 Vine Street, Grayling,  
Michigan died December 29, 2003.

Creditors of the decedent are notified  
that all claims against the estate will be  
forever barred unless presented to  
Marcelene Hatfield, named personal repre-  
sentative, or to both the probate court at  
200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling, MI  
49738 and the named/proposed personal  
representative within 4 months after the  
date of publication of this notice.

Date: February 04, 2004

Todd H. Nye P59301

306 State Street, P.O. Box 708

Grayling, MI 49738

989-348-6141

Marcelene Hatfield

P.O. Box 708

Grayling, MI 49738

989-348-6141

**Notice Of  
Foreclosure Sale**

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLEC-  
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DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE  
OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT  
PURPOSE.

Default having been made in the con-  
ditions of a certain Mortgage made by  
Douglas K. Moggo and Pauline Moggo to  
Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Green  
Tree Financial Servicing Corporation),  
dated June 17, 1996, and recorded in the  
Office of the Register of Deeds for the  
County of Crawford in the State of  
Michigan on June 20, 1996, in Liber 413,  
Page(s) 254, et. seq., on which Mortgage  
there is claimed to be due at the date of  
this Notice, for principal and interest, the  
sum of \$53,810.86, and no proceedings  
having been instituted to recover the debt  
now remaining secured by said Mortgage,  
or any part thereof, whereby the power of  
sale contained in said Mortgage has  
become operative.

NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby  
given that on March 17, 2004 at 10:00

a.m., on the steps of the Courthouse in the  
City of Grayling, that being the place for  
holding the Circuit Court for the County  
of Crawford, there will be offered for sale  
and sold to the highest bidder, at public  
sale, for the purpose of satisfying the  
amounts due and unpaid upon said  
Mortgage, together with interest at 9.25  
percent per annum, legal costs, attorney  
fees, and any taxes and insurance that said  
Mortgagee, Green Tree Servicing LLC  
(f/k/a Green Tree Financial Servicing  
Corporation), does pay on or prior to the  
date of said sale; said premises are  
described in said Mortgage as follows, to-  
wit:

Land situated in Grayling Township,  
Crawford County, State of Michigan  
described as follows:

That certain parcel of land located  
within the Northwest 1/4 of the  
Northwest 1/4 of Section 3, Town 26  
North, Range 2 West, bounded by a line  
beginning at the Section corner at the  
Northwest corner of said forty-acre tract  
and running thence East 132 feet; thence  
South 330 feet; thence West 132 feet,  
thence North 330 feet to the Place of  
Beginning. Being in the Northwest cor-  
ner of the Northwest 1/4 of Northwest 1/4  
of Section 3, Town 26 North, Range 2  
West.

The redemption period shall be six (6)  
months from the date of sale unless the  
property is abandoned, in which case the  
redemption period shall be thirty (30)  
days from the date of sale or abandon-  
ment, if abandonment occurs after sale.

BRANDT, FISHER, ALWARD &  
ROY, P.C.

Green Tree Servicing LLC

(f/k/a Green Tree Financial Servicing  
Corporation)

DONALD A BRANDT (P30183)

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Dated: January 26, 2004

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| 2004                                                 |                 |             |             |        |         |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|--------|---------|
| CRAWFORD COUNTY                                      |                 |             |             |        |         |
| TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS                         |                 |             |             |        |         |
| CLASS                                                |                 | ASSESSED    | EQUALIZED   | RATIOS | FACTORS |
| BEAVER CREEK - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2004     |                 |             |             |        |         |
| 101                                                  | Agricultural    | 340,300     | 274,962     | 61.88  | 0.8080  |
| 201                                                  | Commercial      | 3,761,000   | 3,798,223   | 49.51  | 1.0099  |
| 301                                                  | Industrial      | 12,941,200  | 12,941,200  | 50.00  | 1.0000  |
| 401                                                  | Residential     | 47,022,600  | 51,809,828  | 45.38  | 1.1018  |
| 501                                                  | Timber Cut-Over | -           | -           | -      | -       |
| 601                                                  | Developmental   | -           | -           | -      | -       |
|                                                      | TOTAL REAL      | 64,065,100  | 68,824,213  |        |         |
|                                                      | TOTAL PERSONAL  | 23,024,000  | 23,033,366  | 49.98  | 1.0004  |
|                                                      | TOTAL TOWNSHIP  | 87,089,100  | 91,857,579  |        |         |
| FREDERIC - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2004         |                 |             |             |        |         |
| 101                                                  | Agricultural    | 3,477,400   | 3,741,554   | 46.47  | 1.0760  |
| 201                                                  | Commercial      | 2,055,200   | 2,314,936   | 44.39  | 1.1264  |
| 301                                                  | Industrial      | 404,200     | 410,522     | 49.23  | 1.0156  |
| 401                                                  | Residential     | 50,678,300  | 54,434,264  | 46.55  | 1.0741  |
| 501                                                  | Timber Cut-Over | 2,308,100   | 2,681,966   | 43.03  | 1.1620  |
| 601                                                  | Developmental   | -           | -           | -      | -       |
|                                                      | TOTAL REAL      | 58,923,200  | 63,583,242  |        |         |
|                                                      | TOTAL PERSONAL  | 7,083,700   | 7,083,895   | 50.00  | 1.0000  |
|                                                      | TOTAL TOWNSHIP  | 66,006,900  | 70,667,137  |        |         |
| GRAYLING - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2004         |                 |             |             |        |         |
| 101                                                  | Agricultural    | 2,369,700   | 2,075,408   | 57.09  | 0.8758  |
| 201                                                  | Commercial      | 9,586,800   | 10,007,098  | 47.90  | 1.0438  |
| 301                                                  | Industrial      | 24,286,200  | 24,388,633  | 49.79  | 1.0042  |
| 401                                                  | Residential     | 175,989,300 | 190,753,631 | 46.13  | 1.0839  |
| 501                                                  | Timber Cut-Over | -           | -           | -      | -       |
| 601                                                  | Developmental   | -           | -           | -      | -       |
|                                                      | TOTAL REAL      | 212,232,000 | 227,224,770 |        |         |
|                                                      | TOTAL PERSONAL  | 5,496,600   | 5,496,398   | 50.00  | 1.0000  |
|                                                      | TOTAL TOWNSHIP  | 217,728,600 | 232,721,168 |        |         |
| LOVELLS - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2004          |                 |             |             |        |         |
| 101                                                  | Agricultural    | 4,045,000   | 4,028,082   | 50.21  | 0.9958  |
| 201                                                  | Commercial      | 1,026,900   | 1,426,250   | 36.00  | 1.3889  |
| 301                                                  | Industrial      | -           | -           | -      | -       |
| 401                                                  | Residential     | 59,418,800  | 61,459,247  | 48.34  | 1.0343  |
| 501                                                  | Timber Cut-Over | -           | -           | -      | -       |
| 601                                                  | Developmental   | -           | -           | -      | -       |
|                                                      | TOTAL REAL      | 64,490,700  | 66,913,579  |        |         |
|                                                      | TOTAL PERSONAL  | 3,862,600   | 3,862,370   | 50.00  | 1.0000  |
|                                                      | TOTAL TOWNSHIP  | 68,353,300  | 70,775,949  |        |         |
| MAPLE FOREST - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2004     |                 |             |             |        |         |
| 101                                                  | Agricultural    | 320,500     | 312,561     | 51.27  | 0.9752  |
| 201                                                  | Commercial      | 927,500     | 1,020,128   | 45.46  | 1.0999  |
| 301                                                  | Industrial      | 1,525,200   | 1,548,741   | 49.24  | 1.0154  |
| 401                                                  | Residential     | 21,393,600  | 22,109,963  | 48.38  | 1.0335  |
| 501                                                  | Timber Cut-Over | -           | -           | -      | -       |
| 601                                                  | Developmental   | -           | -           | -      | -       |
|                                                      | TOTAL REAL      | 24,166,800  | 24,991,393  |        |         |
|                                                      | TOTAL PERSONAL  | 1,403,100   | 1,402,927   | 50.01  | 0.9998  |
|                                                      | TOTAL TOWNSHIP  | 25,569,900  | 26,394,320  |        |         |
| SOUTH BRANCH - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2004     |                 |             |             |        |         |
| 101                                                  | Agricultural    | 3,253,200   | 3,079,516   | 52.82  | 0.9466  |
| 201                                                  | Commercial      | 3,014,400   | 2,833,083   | 53.20  | 0.9398  |
| 301                                                  | Industrial      | -           | -           | -      | -       |
| 401                                                  | Residential     | 93,146,100  | 100,481,230 | 46.35  | 1.0787  |
| 501                                                  | Timber Cut-Over | -           | -           | -      | -       |
| 601                                                  | Developmental   | 649,300     | 615,567     | 52.74  | 0.9480  |
|                                                      | TOTAL REAL      | 100,063,000 | 107,009,396 |        |         |
|                                                      | TOTAL PERSONAL  | 2,792,800   | 2,793,076   | 50.00  | 1.0000  |
|                                                      | TOTAL TOWNSHIP  | 102,855,800 | 109,802,472 |        |         |
| CITY OF GRAYLING - TENTATIVE RATIOS AND FACTORS 2004 |                 |             |             |        |         |
| 101                                                  | Agricultural    | -           | -           | -      | -       |
| 201                                                  | Commercial      | 33,220,800  | 32,852,848  | 50.56  | 0.9889  |
| 301                                                  | Industrial      | 5,919,500   | 5,930,175   | 49.91  | 1.0018  |
| 401                                                  | Residential     | 18,201,400  | 19,870,524  | 45.80  | 1.0917  |
| 501                                                  | Timber Cut-Over | -           | -           | -      | -       |
| 601                                                  | Developmental   | -           | -           | -      | -       |
|                                                      | TOTAL REAL      | 57,341,700  | 58,653,547  |        |         |
|                                                      | TOTAL PERSONAL  | 6,052,900   | 6,054,736   | 49.98  | 1.0004  |
|                                                      | TOTAL TOWNSHIP  | 63,394,600  | 64,708,283  |        |         |



# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



Chamber of Commerce Manager Duane Swift (3rd from left) presents a C of C membership plaque to Phillip Townley, who Thursday opened a new business, Townley's Auctioneering, located at 206 Misty Way in Grayling.

### 23 Years Ago

February 12, 1981

Patrolman Thomas G. Brooks, Grayling City Police officer since June of last year, was presented a life-saving award by the City Council at its regular meeting Monday for his actions at a home fire scene on January 2nd that is credited with saving the life of the homeowner, Harry McEvers.

Colonel JR Lippert, Commander of Camp Grayling, announced today that a two million dollar armory will be built. Camp Grayling's new armory is scheduled for construction in 1981-82. It will be the home station for three National Guard companies assigned to this area of Michigan.

Miss Grayling Pageant winners

are Patty Hill, Miss Congeniality, Kelly VanNuck, 2nd runner-up, Queen Connie Keene, Holly Nunn, 1st runner-up and co-winner of the talent award with Angela Perna.

There's an ominous ice formation that is 20 feet tall, and weather permitting, still growing. The sculpture is formed on the bank of the AuSable River below Wakeley Bridge and was built by Rudy and Vera Zalac, who for years have formed the chunk of ice using a spray of water from a flowing well on their property.

Our Weather - February 4, 1981 the temperature high was 3, low was -11 with 19.5 inches of snow on the ground. By the end of the week temperatures rose to 19 with a low of 9 and 27.5 inches of snow on the ground.

### 46 Years Ago

February 13, 1958

Approximately 175 acres of hunting land will be considered for purchase by the State Conservation Commission at its meeting. The land, now in private ownership, would be added to AuSable State Forest in Crawford County.

In the dental health poster contest sponsored last week by the Resort District Dental Society of Traverse City in 13 Northern counties, the Crawford County winner was Miss Patsey Kellogg.

A family of five otters were seen in the AuSable River just above the US-27 bridge last Thursday morning.

The champions, Tom Bensley age nine and Christie Pease age five will be back this year to defend their titles in Michigan's Annual Pee Wee Ski Meet.

### 69 Years Ago

February 14, 1935

Lady luck was with Joe Bielski Sunday. He caught four pike in ten minutes ranging from 3 to 6 1/2 pounds at Lake Margrethe.

Earl Nelson has taken over the management of the Hi-Speed service station, and Leo Schram, the former manager, has taken the management of the Sinclair service station. Both places are located on US-27.

Marius Hanson is here from Big Rapids assisting in the Mac and Gidley drug store, as both Mr. MacNamara and Howard Granger are detained at home by illness.

Charles Corwin has been work-

ing with Sherman Reava during the last week, buying hay in Cheboygan, and trucking it South. Arthur Corwin has been handling the milk route in his father's absence.

### 92 Years Ago

February 15, 1912

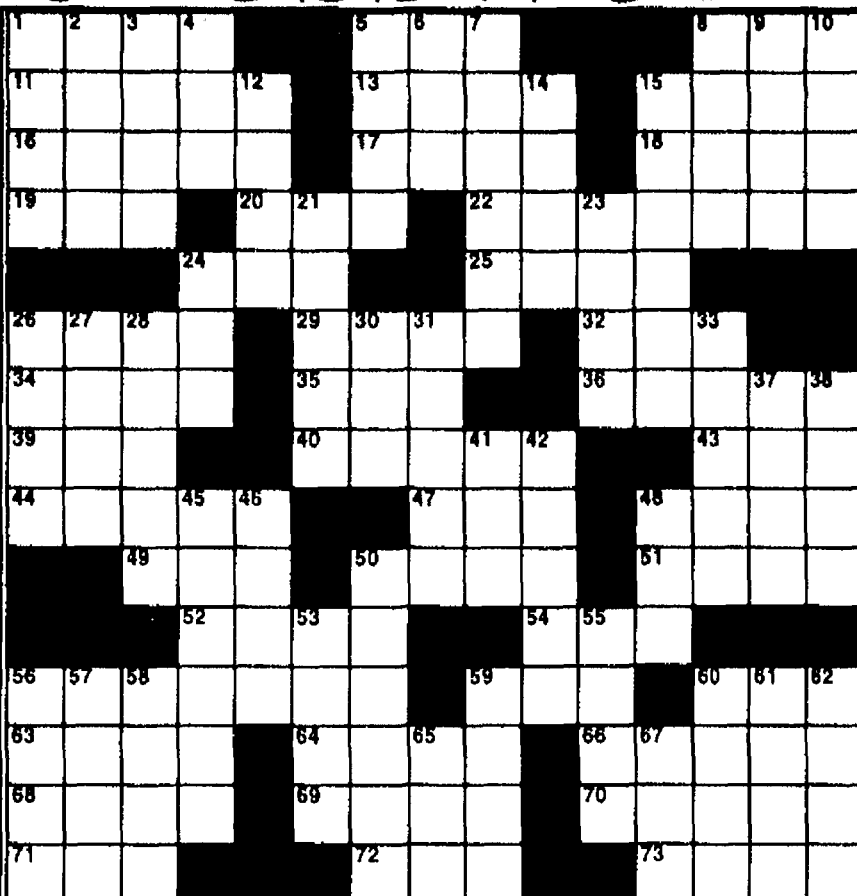
A merry time was had last Saturday night at the Masquerade roller skating party. Clarence Johnson won the prize for the most comical make-up and Miss Elsie Larson the prize for being the best dressed lady.

Last week Friday night the temperatures reached thirty degrees below zero, and the following nights reached to twenty-three below and Tuesday night thirteen above.

Probably no greater compliment could be paid to Grayling Mercy Hospital than the fact that this institution is filled to its capacity. While there is still available room in the wards, every private room is occupied. Patients are brought here from near and far, even one from Grand Rapids. Really, we don't know how the people of this part of Michigan ever got along without this wonderful institution. We have a just pride in our hospital, also great appreciation of the excellent work that is being done there.

The largest score made at Dawson's bowling alley during the past week is 191, by Benjamin Laurent.

## CROSSWORD



### ACROSS

1. Source of the Blue Nile
5. Pub order
8. Own (Scottish)
11. Encourages
13. Gulls
15. Tackle the quarterback
16. Edward \_\_\_\_ author
17. Type genus of the Anatidae
18. Domesticated
19. General Robert E. \_\_\_\_
20. Woman (French)
22. Nasal cavities
24. Go quickly
25. Employee Stock Ownership Plan: abbr.
26. Chadic
29. Back talk
32. Extinct flightless bird of New Zealand
34. Highly excited
35. Cobra used by Pharaohs as a symbol of their power over life and death
36. Got up
39. Pirate's liquor
40. Short-billed rails
43. Seal
44. Holds sacred stone
47. \_\_\_\_ Dhab, Arabian capital
48. Cause injury with a knife
49. Common tool having a toothed blade for cutting
50. Turkish leaders' titles
51. Flubs
52. College army
54. Sound of understanding
56. Alike

### DOWN

1. Afrikaans
2. Capable
3. The compass point that is one point E of NE
4. Dined
5. Wings
6. Local Area Network: abbr.
7. Eliminates, as with a pencil
8. Robert \_\_\_\_ poet
9. The highest point of something
10. Supplements with difficulty
12. Partial: prefix
14. Egyptian goddess
15. Grogginess
21. Plateaus
23. Gangrenous inflammation
24. An ugly, evil-looking old woman
26. Author of the 2nd Gospel of Christ
27. Largest known toad species
28. Material bodies
30. Volcanic mountain in Japan
31. Supports mine roof
33. Main artery in the heart
37. Glide
38. Fallouts
41. A fabric woven from goat and camel hair
42. \_\_\_\_ B. Anthony, American feminist
45. A white or colorless mineral (BaSO4) used as a main source of barium
46. Absent Without Leave: military abbr.
48. Small Business Association: abbr.
50. Down's partner in crosswords
53. A profane state
55. Not very sophisticated or interested in culture
56. New England river
57. Wading birds of warm regions having long, slender, down-curved bills
58. Methodist: shortened form
59. As fast as can be done: abbr.
60. Swedish rock group with hit album entitled "Gold"
61. Jail
62. Czech River
63. American Dental Association
67. Sound that expresses

## ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

## RECIPE OF THE WEEK

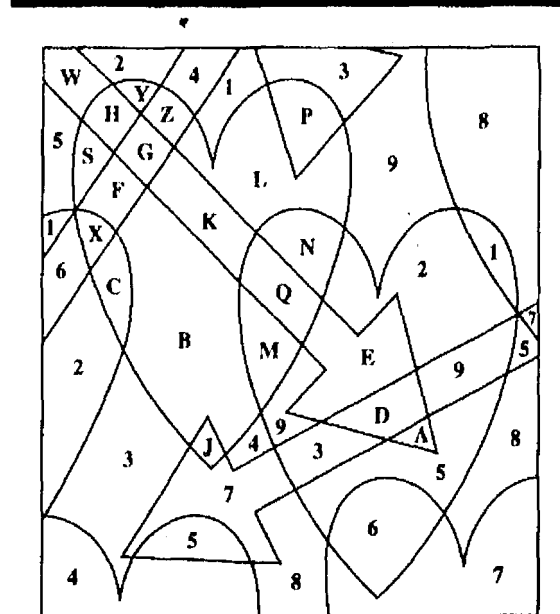


- 2 cups shredded cooked chicken breast
- 1 (1.25-oz.) package Taco Seasoning Mix
- 1 (7 oz.) can Mexican Whole Kernel Corn, Red and Green Peppers, drained
- 10 taco shells or flour tortillas
- 1 cup shredded lettuce
- 1 medium tomato, chopped
- 1/4 cup sliced ripe olives
- 2 oz. (1/2 cup) shredded Cheddar cheese

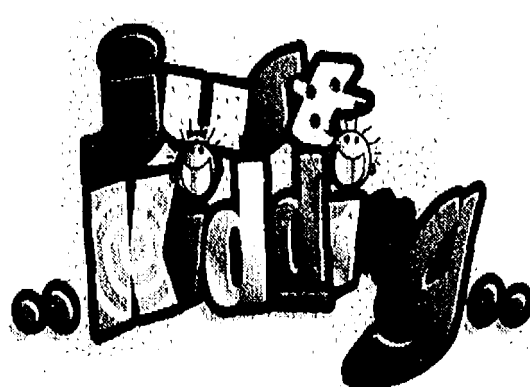
## Chicken Corn Tacos

In large skillet, combine chicken, taco seasoning mix and amount of water directed on package for taco filling. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat to medium; simmer 5 to 10 minutes or until water is evaporated, stirring occasionally. Stir in corn; cook until thoroughly heated. Heat taco shells or tortillas as directed on package. Fill each shell with 1/4 cup chicken filling. Top each with lettuce, tomato, olives and cheese. Serve immediately.

## HIDDEN PICTURE



Color in each space that contains a letter.



## DID YOU KNOW

Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair.

## SEEK AND FIND

FIND THESE WORDS IN THE PUZZLE BELOW.

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- CARBURETOR
- GASOLINE
- GEARS
- HORN
- IGNITION
- JACK
- OIL
- TIRES
- TRUNK
- WHEEL
- WIPERS

THE WORDS READ UP, DOWN AND ACROSS.

Q A S D H O R N G W  
J O B N G T R O A E  
A P S U I H G I S B  
C A R B U R E T O R  
K G E A R S F I L A  
N D P S A Z C N I K  
U T I R E S V G N E  
R B W H E E L I E S  
T N M L O P I Y T P  
O K L Y T R O D S A

## Adopt a Pet



Willie is approximately 6 years old. He is a sweet guy that just wants to be with you. He would prefer to be the only pet as he likes all of the attention. He is neutered, housebroken, has all of his shots, and has been heartworm tested. We are still taking appointments for cat spays and neuters. Call 348-4117 for more information.

For more information on any of our pets that are up for adoption, please visit our website at: [www.ascc.petfinder.com](http://www.ascc.petfinder.com)

2004 Pet Calendars are still available for a donation of only \$5 each! The calendar is colorful and has the right sized date squares to log all of your important dates. We think the calendar will make a great affordable holiday gift for anyone of any age. Also, we still have about 25 Creature Comfort Cookbooks. Buy one for a donation of only \$15. Stop by the Avalanche or the Shelter to purchase one (or both) of these great fund-raiser items. Cookbooks are also available at Riverland Gear and the Medicine Shoppe in Grayling. All proceeds go to the shelter.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at:  
508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling  
Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall  
Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9 am - 3 pm; Sun. and Holidays 8 am - 11 am  
After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

## HOROSCOPES

For the Week of February 12, 2004



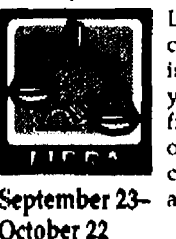
The week of romance has arrived and pleasant surprises are in store. Savor every moment and don't forget to say thank you.



A friend invites you on their travels. Arrange to take a few days off, pack your suitcases and get ready to have some fun!



You finally resolve a financial dilemma. Celebrate with a night on the town. A gift appears on your doorstep.



Love and compassion are in the air, inspiring you to renew old friendships and reach out to family. A challenge lies ahead at work.



You're a class act when it comes to dealing with people. Your friends will rely on that trait to help them resolve a sticky matter with their neighbors.



A business associate makes a financial proposal. Research the matter carefully before saying yes. You have a lot to risk.



Passions are ignited. A new relationship blossoms, or an old flame burns bright once again. A letter from an old friend tickles you.



An idea of yours is put to the test and passes. Enjoy your success. A matter of home needs your attention right away.



You're nearly finished with a project at work. Celebrate with some time to yourself. A friend needs some advice.



This is a week for matters of the heart. Do something special for those you love and show them how much you care.



You are behind on a home improvement project. Eliminate the distractions, get organized and pick up the pace.



A recent memo puzzles you. Ask around and find out what is going on, but don't get too nosy, or you may end up in hot water.

## WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

| Last Week |    |     |      | Extended Forecast |                       |                       |                  |                  |               |
|-----------|----|-----|------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Date      | H  | L   | Snow |                   |                       |                       |                  |                  |               |
| 2/4       | 30 | 11  | 33   |                   |                       |                       |                  |                  |               |
| 2/5       | 22 | -10 | 33   |                   |                       |                       |                  |                  |               |
| 2/6       | 27 | -10 | 35   |                   |                       |                       |                  |                  |               |
| 2/7       | 27 | -9  | 35   |                   |                       |                       |                  |                  |               |
| 2/8       | 20 | -15 | 35   |                   |                       |                       |                  |                  |               |
| 2/9       | 28 | -12 | 35   |                   |                       |                       |                  |                  |               |
| 2/10      | 29 | 20  | 36   |                   |                       |                       |                  |                  |               |
|           |    |     |      | High              | High                  | High                  | High             | High             | High          |
|           |    |     |      | 26                | 26                    | 21                    | 9                | 23               | 28            |
|           |    |     |      | Low               | Low                   | Low                   | Low              | Low              | Low           |
|           |    |     |      | 15                | 13                    | -9                    | 1                | 13               | 15            |
|           |    |     |      | All Snow Showers  | Few Snow Showers/Wind | Few Snow Showers/Wind | Few Snow Showers | Few Snow Showers | Mostly Cloudy |



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Classifieds by the word rate - \$5.00 for 15 words or

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Classified by the word deadline - 12 noon, Tuesday

## Crawford County Avalanche

### 1. Real Estate

**QUALITY BUILT THREE** bedroom, two bath home with attached, heated, two car garage. Amenities include oak flooring, wiring for surround sound, heated tile floors in bathrooms, deck, and storage shed. Located at 3151 Jones Lake Rd. in AuSable Woods - includes use of club house and pool. \$119,000. 348-3587. Owners motivated to sell. (-12-19-26/1)

**NEW THREE BEDROOM** two car attached, five miles east of town. \$87,000 (989) 348-4840 (-12-19-26-4/1)

**3 BEDROOM, 1 BATH, 2 1/2** acres, 2 car garage, storage shed, nice big yard, perfect up north retreat, 7 miles from Grayling. \$75,000 (989) 344-7669 1-800-848-1268 (1/8/04/t/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**PRICE REDUCED** two bedroom two bath mobile with 10x20 three season porch. 12x21 living room addition with Fisher fireplace insert. New windows, carpet, and roof over. 24x24 garage with heat. Cement drive and split rail fence. Close to Lake Margrethe and snowmobile trails. Call Fred at RE/MAX of Grayling. 348-7440 or visit www.FredTFisher.com for more information 24 hours a day. (-12/1)

**HOUSE FOR SALE** Three bedroom ranch, full basement partially finished, carport, 24 x 30 deck, great neighborhood, 1.5 miles from town, close to all schools. \$64,999. (989) 348-9703 (1/8/04/t/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP** starting March 3, 2004 and running each Wednesday for seven weeks at the Michigan Works Office in Grayling. Choose from morning or evening classes. The classes are free and include a credit report review along with budgeting topics. Call Alice at 866-637-1834 toll free to reserve your space. (-12-19-26/1)

**FIVE BEDROOM** Completely remodeled 1,800 sq. ft. 210 Mikado St. Two baths all new, roof, siding, windows, doors, drywall, kitchen, baths, plumbing, electric, 90 percent efficient furnace, carpet, floor covering, interior doors, cabinets, finished back porch, extra lot. Priced to sell at \$126,000. Call owner (989) 348-4716. (1/15/04/t/1)

### 1. Real Estate

**MANY NORTHERN MICHIGAN** Properties www.century21grayling.com (1/7/99/t/1)

### 2. For Rent

**WEEKLY AND MONTHLY** house rentals near Roscommon, Grayling, Higgins Lake and Houghton Lake. Higgins North Cottage Rentals. (989) 821-3434 (12/25/03/t/2)

**TWO BEDROOM ONE BATH** close to Higgins Lake and Kirtland, non-smoker and dependable. \$490 month, 616-365-8072. (-5-12/2)

**ONE BEDROOM DUPLEX** Ready February, in the city, appliances, heat and lights furnished, phone. (989) 348-8066 (1/16/04/t/2)

### 2. For Rent

**ONE BEDROOM APARTMENT** on AuSable in town. \$365-380 per month. References. (231) 599-2895 (7/31/03/t/2)

**LARGE TWO BEDROOM** large apartment, laundry facilities, private parking and storage, non-smoking, no pets. References and deposit. \$375 a month. (989) 348-6552. (-12-19/2)

**NICE, CLEAN TWO BEDROOM** mobile home with natural gas. \$400 a month plus deposit. No pets. (989) 348-2418 (-29-05-12-19/2)

**ONE BEDROOM DUPLEX** utilities included, newly remodeled. \$425 a month. Call 348-9476. (-5-12/2)

### 2. For Rent

**HOUSE, CABINS AND MOBILE** home at Lost Acres. Large three to four bedroom log home with new flooring and paint. Garage not included \$595, plus \$600 security and all utilities. One bedroom cabins for rent from \$275 - \$375, including all utilities, plus \$200 security. Two bedroom mobile home, older, clean, only \$375, plus \$400 security and utilities. Units are located on 30 wooded acres, from 11004 - 11010 North Old U.S. 27, three miles south of Waters. Walk to Blue Gill Lake. Call Leo toll free at 877-227-6976 or at 586-216-0682. Sorry, no pets allowed. (1/29/04/t/2)

**FOR LEASE COMMERCIAL** Building. Approximately 4,000 ft. great retail location at light on M-72 West and 93. Call for details. (989) 348-8659 (1/20/03/t/2)

**NICE ROOM FOR RENT** country setting, six miles from Grayling, no pets, no deposit. 348-7506. (-12/2)

## Go With The Winning Team!



Randy Thompson Broker / Owner  
Connie Winans Associate Broker  
Scott Hanson Sales Agent



Bob Pollack Associate Broker  
Bill Borchers Sales Agent  
Randall Hartley Sales Agent



Jerry Gosnell Associate Broker  
Casey Thompson Sales Agent  
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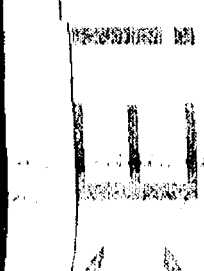


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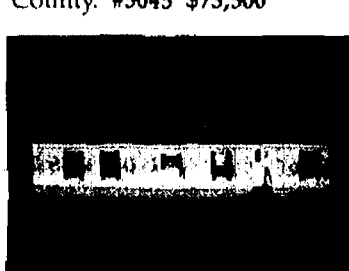
**Nicely Maintained 3 bedroom** home has a large 20x21 living room and has had many updates to the home with in the past few years to include new floor covering and new drywall. Located in Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County. #5045 \$73,500



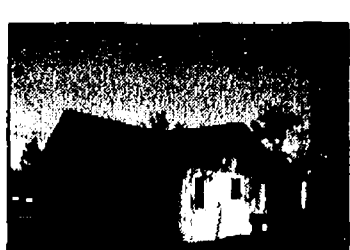
**Three year old, three bedroom** home with two baths in Lovells. Half log sided home is on two acres Attached garage with overhead opener. Heated sun room with view of expansive lawn leading to a wooded area behind home. Gift shop is available with inventory for an additional \$35,000. #5170 \$225,000



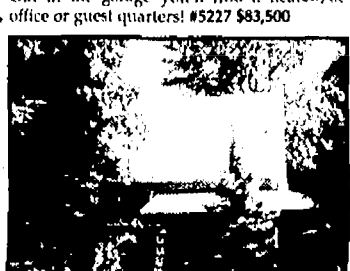
**Affordable Two Bedroom, Two Bath Mobile on 3** acres, with decking and pole barn. Snowmobile trails, AuSable River, and an abundance of state land are very close to this property. #5172 \$54,900



**Excellent location for that recreational home or cottage.** Home is right across the street from Bluegill Lake, within walking distance of Horseshoe and Big Bradford Lakes. Wrap around side and rear decking offers a pleasant view of this meticulously landscaped yard. #5156 \$159,000



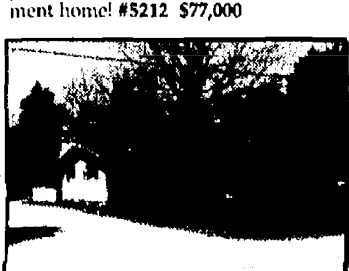
**Immaculately kept ranch** home located just outside the city limits of Grayling near Mercy Hospital. Home features pride of ownership, landscaping, family room with fireplace, full basement that could be finished for extra living space. #5076 \$78,900



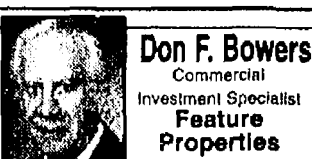
**Very clean and cheerful home** in Warbler's Hideaway. Three bedrooms and one full bath. Open floor plan with kitchen, dining area, and living room combined. Mud room off attached. Garage facilitates cleaning up after the snowmobile excursion. #5136 \$75,000



**Affordable neat and clean 3 bedroom,** 2 bath home with curb appeal located on a one acre parcel just outside the city of Grayling. Home features a newer roof, siding, insulation and a 2 car garage. Hardwood floors are found inside along with built in closets and shelving. Work at home from the office, and enjoy the evenings from your patio. Perfect starter or retirement home! #5212 \$77,000



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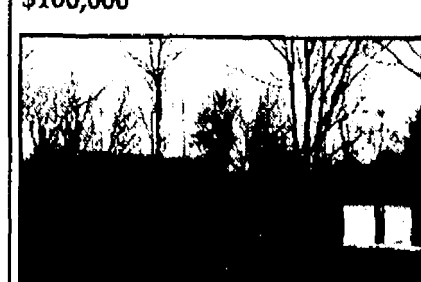
## For Sale



**NEWLY REMODELED, 3 bedroom** ranch, 1160 square feet, two-baths, laundry room, two-car garage, new natural gas furnace, new windows, new siding, new pergo wood floor, new carpet throughout, new interior doors, large lot close to town. Immediate occupancy must see! Priced to sell at \$94,900.00 Northwood Land Company 989-344-6093.



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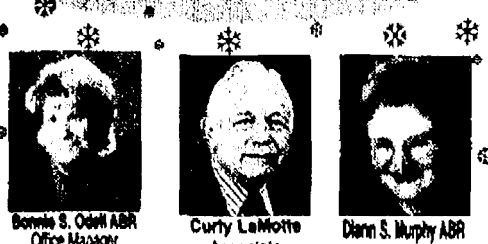
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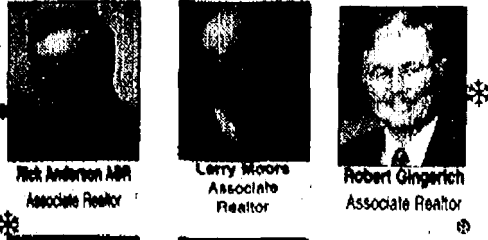
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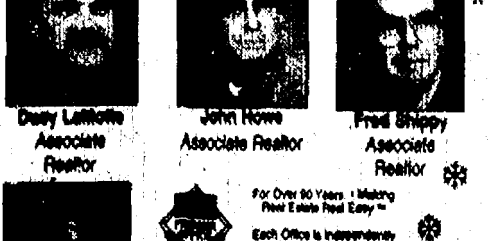
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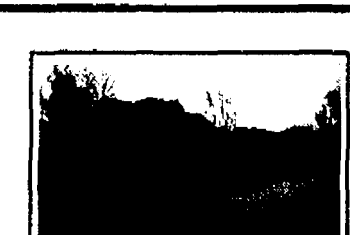
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# XOXO Valentine's Day XOXO Greetings

**Stephanie**  
People come and go in our lives but only a few touch our souls. You complete me!  
All my love,  
Brian

**Happy Valentine's Day**  
Grandma, Grandpa & Snickers  
Love,  
Ashley & Haley

**To my Daddy on Valentines Day!**  
Roses are Red,  
Violets are Blue,  
I'm the luckiest little girl  
with a Daddy like you!  
I Love you Daddy!  
Love,  
Amairis Louise

**"Sending you hugs and kisses on Valentines Day"**  
  
Love Always,  
Angie

**Happy Valentines Day Eric**  
"Roses are Red,  
Violets are Blue,  
Baby, start warming up  
that buggy for two!"  
Love, your  
Sweetheart

**Happy Valentine's Day**  
  
To our sweethearts  
Love,  
Grandma & Grandpa  
Reichelderfer

We find this year that we are apart, but deeply in soul, we have each others hearts. With that I write this for you- Reminding that this days color isn't blue. It's red & white with hearts galore. With lots of love to the dad they adore. You're missed and so much in thought today - February 14th  
I love you Tony,  
"Happy Valentines Day"  
Always, Kimberly Rene  
Selena, Nate & JJ, too.

**Happy Birthday**  
to my  
Valentine Edith  
  
February 14th  
Love, Leo

**TO: DAVE, SARAH & BILL**  
A fun day for silly rhymes and remembering all our silly times  
Our thoughts are with you far away!  
With love on this  
St. Valentine's Day  
  
Love,  
Mom & Dad

It has been said that we need  
Just 3 things in life:  
Something to do,  
Something to look forward to,  
And someone to love...  
We love you very much,  
Dan and Bonnie.  
Thank you for all that you are!  
  
Nate & Jen

**Be Our Valentine's**  
  
Love,  
Mom & Dad



**WEDDING EXPO FREE ADMISSION**, Sunday, February 22, 2004, 1-5 p.m. at the Grayling Holiday Inn. (-12-19/8)

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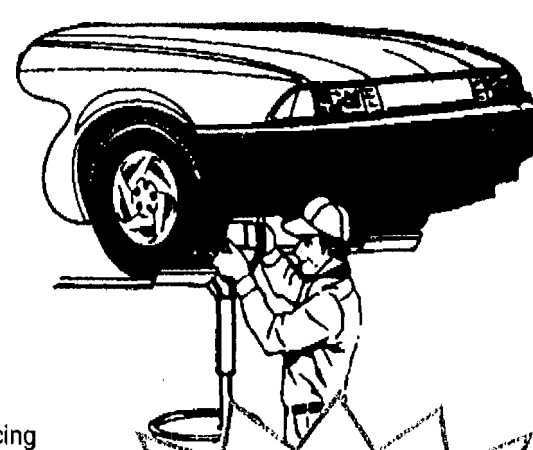
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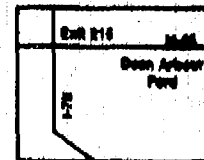
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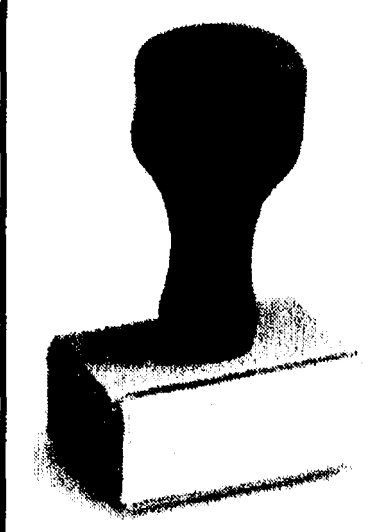
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| <b>1999 BUICK LESABRE</b><br>Clean, locally owned car!<br>#20100-1 Was \$9,488 Blowout Price .....                                                                                | \$7,988 |
| <b>1999 BUICK CENTURY</b><br>Limited, 4 door, very clean, good miles! #20088-1<br>Was \$7,988 Blowout Price .....                                                                 | \$6,988 |
| <b>1999 FORD TAURUS SE</b><br>Very clean, nice driving car! Has some miles, but priced right!<br>#10750-2 Was \$4,488 Blowout Price .....                                         | \$2,988 |
| <b>1999 OLDSMOBILE ALERO</b><br>2 dr coupe - very clean V6, GM Auto, looks great, runs great!<br>#20033-2 Was \$7,488 Blowout Price .....                                         | \$5,988 |
| <b>1998 PONTIAC SUNFIRE</b><br>Cure little red 2 door coupe, auto, air, very nice! #5163-1<br>Was \$5,988 Blowout Price .....                                                     | \$4,988 |
| <b>1998 BUICK LESABRE</b><br>Very nice, locally owned car! Has a few miles but these seem to last forever!<br>Great gas mileage, too! #20281-1<br>Was \$7,988 Blowout Price ..... | \$5,988 |
| <b>1998 FORD TAURUS</b><br>Clean, no rust! Runs drives great! #5131-1<br>Was \$2,988 Blowout Price .....                                                                          | \$1,988 |
| <b>1995 CADILLAC DEVILLE</b><br>Really nice, clean car. Has a few miles, but it's a Cadillac!<br>#5093 Was \$9,988 Blowout Price .....                                            | \$6,988 |

### Next to New Trucks, Vans, SUV's

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| <b>2003 CHEVY SILVERADO EXT</b><br>4x4, LT with leather, 271 loaded with protec computer box #19997-1<br>Was \$31,988 Blowout Price .....                                                             | \$29,988 |
| <b>2003 CHEVY TRAILBLAZER EXT 4X4</b><br>4x4, loaded with top of the line leather seats, power sunroof, all the toys!<br>Was \$26,988 Blowout Price .....                                             | \$26,988 |
| <b>2003 CHEVY VENTURE EXTENDED</b><br>LS model, beautiful van! Almost \$30,000 brand new #5136<br>Was \$21,988 Blowout Price .....                                                                    | \$19,488 |
| <b>2002 CHEVY K2500 EXT CAB</b><br>4x4, LS, loaded with top of the line leather seats, power sunroof, all the toys!<br>Was \$26,988 Blowout Price .....                                               | \$24,988 |
| <b>2002 FORD RANGER</b><br>2 WD Flareside, auto, air, very sharp! Under 10,000 miles! #20160-1<br>Was \$13,988 Blowout Price .....                                                                    | \$11,988 |
| <b>2002 CHEVY AVALANCHE Z-71 4X4</b><br>Almost 20,000 less than new! Loaded with leather, power sunroof! #19980-1<br>Was \$25,988 Blowout Price .....                                                 | \$23,988 |
| <b>2002 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE LAREDO</b><br>6 cyl., power seat, CD, lots of extras! Only 25,000 miles #5089<br>Was \$22,988 Blowout Price .....                                                         | \$20,988 |
| <b>2002 CHEVY SILVERADO EXT. CAB 4X4</b><br>271, loaded 4x4 with top of the line leather seats, power sunroof, all the toys!<br>Was \$24,988 Blowout Price .....                                      | \$22,988 |
| <b>2002 CHEVY SILVERADO EXT. CAB</b><br>2-wheel drive, V8, LS, lots of equipment! Popular "pewter" color!<br>#20008-1 Was \$21,988 Blowout Price .....                                                | \$19,988 |
| <b>2002 GMC SONOMA</b><br>Ext. Cab 4x4, one mile! #5179<br>Was \$15,988 Blowout Price .....                                                                                                           | \$14,988 |
| <b>2001 CHEVY S10 EXT CAB</b><br>2 wheel Drive, auto, air, nice truck! Low miles! #5171<br>Was \$13,988 Blowout Price .....                                                                           | \$11,988 |
| <b>2001 CHEVY TAHOE LT 4X4</b><br>Leather, Power Sunroof, loaded! Brand new! #5186<br>Was \$23,988 Blowout Price .....                                                                                | \$21,988 |
| <b>2001 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE</b><br>Laredo, Leather, CD, Power Sunroof. Very sharp! #20358-1<br>Was \$16,988 Blowout Price .....                                                                       | \$14,988 |
| <b>2001 CHEVY SILVERADO EXT. CAB 4X4</b><br>271, loaded 4x4 with top of the line leather seats, power sunroof, all the toys!<br>Over \$40,000 brand new! #20125-1<br>Was \$22,988 Blowout Price ..... | \$20,988 |
| <b>2001 CHEVY SILVERADO EXT. CAB 4X4</b><br>271, loaded 4x4 with top of the line leather seats, power sunroof, all the toys!<br>Over \$40,000 brand new! #20125-1<br>Was \$22,988 Blowout Price ..... | \$20,988 |
| <b>2001 PONTIAC MONTANA</b><br>Great for the family, nice! GM Certified #96678<br>Was \$12,988 Blowout Price .....                                                                                    | \$12,988 |
| <b>2001 CHEVY VENTURE</b><br>Extended, one mile! Holiday shopping van! #36584<br>Was \$15,988 Blowout Price .....                                                                                     | \$13,988 |
| <b>2001 OLDSMOBILE SILHOUETTE GL</b><br>Extended, Power Sliding Door, rear air, full power! Low Miles! #13297<br>Was \$15,988 Blowout Price .....                                                     | \$13,988 |
| <b>2000 FORD EXPEDITION 4X4</b><br>XL, loaded! Power sunroof, power sunroof, 3rd seat, trailer, very sharp! #20210-1<br>Was \$21,988 Blowout Price .....                                              | \$19,988 |
| <b>2000 CHEVY SILVERADO EXT CAB 4X4</b><br>271, loaded 4x4 with top of the line leather seats, power sunroof, all the toys!<br>Was \$18,988 Blowout Price .....                                       | \$16,988 |
| <b>1998 FORD EXPEDITION 4X4 XL</b><br>3 Seater, low miles! Really clean and nice! #20122-1<br>Was \$14,988 Blowout Price .....                                                                        | \$12,988 |

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| <b>1998 DODGE DAKOTA CLUB CAB 4X4</b><br>Looks good! Has miles but priced right!<br>#5118-2 Was \$9,988 Blowout Price .....           | \$5,988 |
| <b>1998 FORD WINDSTAR</b><br>Nice Van for kids! Lot of money!<br>#19912-1 Was \$9,988 Blowout Price .....                             | \$5,988 |
| <b>1997 JEEP WRANGLER</b><br>Soft top, really sharp! Only 85,000 miles!<br>#5106 Was \$10,988 Blowout Price .....                     | \$8,988 |
| <b>1998 CHEVROLET VENTURE EXTENDED</b><br>V8, very clean and nice! Check out the bargain! #20345-1<br>Was \$5,988 Blowout Price ..... | \$5,988 |
| <b>1998 CHEVY CONVERSION VAN</b><br>Nice van for the money, miles low for a 97! #5106<br>Was \$5,988 Blowout Price .....              | \$1,988 |

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